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■ **FIRST PERSON**

A shocking experience

Two anglers come close to death by lightning

DJ GUNNING

Special to the Echo

I looked at Russ and noticed his eyes. They were glowing white. And he looked scared; I could only imagine what I looked like, but we'll get to that in just a minute.

It was a dark and stormy night. No really, it was. I was at home and lonely. Some back story: I had been convalescing for a couple weeks thanks to a monumentally poor decision to somersault off a dock into a shallow part of Lake Kashagawigamog. I had broken a bone in my upper neck and the pain ranged from intense to overwhelming so I was spending my summer on a couch or in bed instead of swimming and playing golf. So on a Sunday night a couple weeks after I had hurt myself, one of my best friends in the world, Russ Reid, asked me to go fishing with him. It would get me off the couch, he said, and I could certainly use some fresh air.

I assessed my pain and actually felt pretty good so I agreed to hit the water with him. It was my first time fishing in more than a decade and I was feeling pretty excited to go enjoy the non-rushed pace of lazing on a boat with a friend and shooting the breeze, hoping to get a bite.

Okay, a moment of full disclosure here. It was a pretty stormy night in Haliburton

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Hi-ho opera!

Local actor Tom Regina (Igor) is about to carry Cassandra Warner (Prince Orlovsky) off stage during the Friday's dress rehearsal of *Die Fledermaus* on August 28 at the Northern Lights Pavilion. The Highland Opera Studio presents the operetta for two final shows tonight and Thursday at 8 p.m. For more about the Highland Opera Studio, why you should see the opera, and for more photos see pages 28 and 29.

■ **DYSART**

Shoreline protection priority in official plan

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

Lakefront property owners and the municipality of Dysart et al seem to be moving in the same direction for the five-year revision of the official plan.

Politicians and staff held the first open house August 22 to gain insight into the public's wishes for the new document and found shared concerns for shoreline protection, controlled expansion and environmental stewardship.

"It was a really positive experience. I felt we were listened to," said Barb Bohlin, president of Drag and Spruce Lakes Property Owners' Association.

Bohlin told council that her fellow cottagers wanted greater controls on old septic systems that could be leaking into lakes.

"[Reeve] Murray Fearrey received it well," but there were questions about who would enforce septic regulations, Bohlin said.

Kennis Lake representative Chris Riddle was similarly pleased with the meeting and the direction Dysart is going with its official plan.

"It was a very good meeting, a very productive meeting," Riddle said.

"The majority of participants were lake communities as opposed to villages or hamlets," he said.

Riddle highlighted many of the Kennis Lake Cottage Owners' Association's con-

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Do you have a home of architectural or historical importance? Is there a building you'd really like to get a good look at, on the inside? Suggestions are welcome as Haliburton prepares to become part of the popular Doors Open event in 2010.

This past June, several locations in Minden Hills, including the dam and Clergy House, opened their doors to 500 visitors to celebrate Minden's 150th anniversary.

With the success of Doors Open Minden, the County of Haliburton has decided to continue with the Doors Open program by rotating it around the four townships of Haliburton County each year. The municipality of Dysart et al will be featured for 2010.

The Doors Open committee is beginning preparations for next year's event and is looking for potential locations in Dysart. In order to qualify, properties must have historical, architectural, natural or landscape significance. Application forms to feature your property in the 2010 program are available by calling Amy Brohm at 286-1777. The deadline for applications is October 30.

"We're very excited to be able to participate in the Doors Open program again for 2010," says Brohm, the county's tourism co-ordinator. "We are already thinking about some wonderful ideas. But we'd really like input from residents about what they think would make a great Doors Open Tour in Dysart et al. It really has to be a community effort."

Please note: a summer photo of the property is required. If you are interested in participating in the program but do not have a good quality summer photo, a photographer will be available to assist with this. Please contact Brohm as soon as possible to arrange this. For more information, contact Amy Brohm 705-286-1777; abrohm@county.haliburton.on.ca

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Haliburton's Bill Gliddon is revising *Requiem for Terry Fox*, a piece he wrote a quarter century ago as a tribute to Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope.

MARATHON OF HOPE

Requiem revised for Terry Fox Run

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Almost 30 years ago, Haliburton resident Bill Gliddon began to write a piece of music inspired by a young man named Terry Fox.

He meant it as a tribute to the young man who was running across Canada to raise money for cancer research.

When Fox died of cancer on June 28, 1981, the musical tribute became a requiem.

The piece took Gliddon nearly a year and a half to finish.

So what was it about Terry Fox that compelled the now-retired music teacher to write such a piece?

"I think I felt like everyone else in Canada felt — he was a young man we could

all look up to for his courage, determination, and the good he was doing," said Gliddon.

"He was such an unselfish person and I really admired him. Role models were hard to find then."

This Sunday, Haliburton celebrates the 25th anniversary of its Terry Fox Run at the town docks.

Two Sundays later, Gliddon is presenting highlights of his requiem at a special musical service at St. George's Anglican Church, where he is the organist and choir director.

The original requiem consists of eight sections with parts for two choirs, soloists, organ, brass, and percussion.

In April of 1983 there were four successful performances of the requiem, raising about \$2,000 for the Marathon of

Hope.

"It was a big thing to pull off and I was so grateful of the performers and instrumentalists back then," Gliddon said.

He was also grateful for the consent of Fox's parents, Roland and Betty, with whom he corresponded with a half a dozen times by mail.

Gliddon wouldn't let the piece see the light of day without their approval.

"I initially sent them a letter with my plans [for the piece] asking for permission and their blessings," said Gliddon. "They really respected that."

Gliddon says the Foxes were adamant that the piece wasn't for commercial use.

"I had to reassure them it wasn't," he said.

He later sent Fox family an audiotape

of one of the performances.

"They sent me a most gracious letter in thanks," he said.

Last month Gliddon reopened his requiem file, picked it apart, and rewrote five sections.

If you'd like to hear the piece it's being performed during a shortened service at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton on Sunday, September 27 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The community is welcome to attend at no charge.

The Haliburton Terry Fox Run goes Sunday, September 13 at the town docks.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the run begins at 10 a.m. sharp.

Two cottage fires cause \$30,000 damage

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

Fires at two Dysart cottages led to about \$30,000 in damage in three days.

On Saturday, August 21, 12 firefight-

ers arrived at a Coleman Lake Road residence around 5 p.m. to put out a fire caused by plumbing installed by the owner of the cottage.

The fire department arrived to find the floor smoldering and had to remove

some floorboards to ensure the fire was out.

The estimated damage was \$10,000.

Two days later, at a Kennisis Lake cottage, firefighters were called when a sauna caught fire because of unattended

candles.

Thirteen firefighters arrived at 10 p.m. to find the sauna, part of the deck and nearby trees aflame.

The damage is estimated at \$20,000 at that location.

REDSTONE LAKE TORNADO

Sisters of the storm

WENDY COOPER-PARKINSON

Special to the Echo

On August 21, I was a guest at my friend Lynn Daniel's family cottage on Redstone Lake. Lynn, our friend Beverley Jeffries-Emmott and I witnessed the wrath of a tornado.

We were next door at Bev's folk's cottage enjoying wine and appetizers. The sky looked odd. My malamute, Rose, and Bev's collie, Chance, seemed very worried. Rose was under the kitchen table and Chance was trying with difficulty to squeeze beside the TV and coffee table.

Looking out the window, we could see the trees bending over, almost touching the ground. Suddenly a light popped, a picture smashed off the wall, shattering the glass, power zapped and then it was gone.

The howling of the wind reached the point where we

WENDY COOPER-PARKINSON/Special to the Echo



A tree lands on the McPhersons' Redstone Lake cottage during the tornado that touched down on August 21.

couldn't hear the trees falling around us... the "train noise" was loud, almost deafening. The rain and spray were blowing horizontally from the lake and reminded me of Niagara Falls. I suggested we head to the basement but found out we would have to venture outside to get to it, so we huddled together in the cottage with our dogs and prayed for safety.

When it appeared the storm was subsiding, we went to the screened-in porch to get a sense of the fierceness. As we stood looking at Lynn's family cottage we started to hear cracking sounds, almost like electrical popping, followed by the sight of a 100-year-old maple tree falling.

With shock and disbelief we watched as it slowly fell towards the treasured cottage. All we could do was pray. Lynn chanted, "Not the cottage, not the cottage, not the cottage." Thankfully it just missed the cottage, landing in the brush right behind the back bedrooms.

In falling, that same tree disrupted the septic and pipe as well as the electrical stack.

Watching this devastation shook us up, but we felt extremely grateful to be safe. We held hands and said our gratitude prayers once the storm moved on, then sat in the glow of candles and waited. After a bit of reflection, realizing we were fine, we named ourselves, "Sisters of the Storm."

Bruce, from a few cottages over, followed by a guy renting from down the road, ventured out to check on us and others. We could hear them yelling in the darkness, "You okay?" We yelled back that we were and they made their way towards us, flashlights in hand. That was reassuring. After they left we got brave and found our way over to Jack and Joyce's cottage. They were okay too and we all sat together and chatted about

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The tornado split this tree down the centre and left embedded maple leaves.



Lynn Daniel and Beverley Jeffries-Emmott look at rootball exposed by a passing tornado.

Couldn't hear trees falling due to roar of tornado

from page 4

what had just happened.

Due to the roar of the storm we didn't hear the tree fall on the back of Bev's family cottage. It shattered the fascia and broke through the structure of the roof. Two people from another cottage were taken to hospital after being cut by exploding glass, several cottages were structurally damaged, and one was destroyed after the roof was lifted off. Boats were blown and moved, docks found three lots over, huge trees flattened and carved out of the ground; certainly the biggest root balls I've ever seen.

Our poor families were so worried about us when they saw there was bad weather coming our way, yet no one could get hold of us as the phones and power were out. My husband Christopher tried calling all night and was ready to drive north on our motorcycle. We couldn't use our cellphones in the

cottage as we had no reception. First thing in the morning we headed for the dock and started calling family. Then we had to wait for the road to be cleared, as it was impassible due to fallen trees, hydro poles and mangled wires.

The hydro guys were wonderful and worked from first light into evening, then back again the next morning. The humming of chainsaws and generators was constant and comforting. Even a helicopter flew by to assess the damage. Cottage families and friends started arriving by noon, those who couldn't make it up were kept in the loop by phone. The close-knit cottage community kicked into action without missing a beat. They hugged and welcomed one another with smiles and workgloves. When we were able to leave Saturday afternoon, power had still not been restored.

In hindsight, a summer storm watch used to receive little attention in our household, often nothing more than a

passing mention over a cup of coffee or a glass of wine... now we will watch.

Thank you to my Sisters of the Storm for their contribution to this story.



Fallen tree behind Daniel's cottage.



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Terry Fox still inspiring people

LAST WEEK, Aggie Tose could be seen scurrying across the verandah of the *Echo* office. She was taking one task off her massive to-do list – put up a banner across the porch railing that reminds passersby that Sunday, September 13 is the 25th anniversary of Haliburton's Terry Fox Run.

What is it that inspires people to turn their thoughts into action? Tose isn't the only one who has been moved by the tragedy that underlines Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope and yet she's one of the few who actually does something about it.

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martha perkins

For years she's volunteered her time to organize the annual fundraising tribute to Fox and his desire to find cures for cancer. Three years ago she took that dedication a step further by helping to organize Haliburton's first Relay for Life, which has raised a staggering half a million dollars in its first three years alone.

Terry Fox definitely wasn't the only one who had lost a leg to cancer and yet there was something in him that compelled him to run the equivalent of a marathon a day. He wanted to do something to prevent it from happening to another young person.

Despite incredible physical hardship, he found the inner motivation to run across Canada. Most athletes spend all year training to run one marathon. He did it every day. How? How did he do it both physically and mentally? There is a nobility to Terry Fox that was exposed when he got cancer. It was something both innate and triggered by personal circumstance.

What would we have done if we were him?

Terry Fox died almost 30 years ago and yet at schools across this country, students who never watched or read the coverage of his journey will be raising money in his honour. His story has inspired generations to keep his legacy alive.

We can't all have the energy of an Aggie Tose or turn our hardships into heroic goals like Terry Fox did. When we think about what they, and people like them, achieve with their lives, we don't have to try to do what they do. But we are obliged to be inspired to do better. It doesn't have to involve huge sacrifices or commitments of our time.

And yet to do nothing, to act as if we didn't know about people like Terry Fox and Aggie Tose, is to turn our backs on them. There is a glimmer of the hero in all of us. We must find ways to turn on the light.



Scratching an itch

Photo by Jenn Watt

The new math

I'M SITTING IN MY FRIENDLY neighbourhood Toyota Dealer (Orillia) while the mechanics toil away replacing my clutch (\$1,000-plus) which I'm told will take at least six hours. The trouble with it taking such a long time – aside from the expense – is that they keep finding other stuff that needs fixing or replacing.

"Sir, did you know your gas tank is leaking? Looks like a baffle has been bouncing on it and split it right down the middle. We have a lot of that 'bouncing baffle' here in the North Country because of the rough roads. I could get a new one up from Barrie..."

Five-hundred dollars later, I'm still sitting here wondering what they will find next.

For a mere \$2,500, I bought this '94 Corolla from a little old English lady who only drove it six months of the year, so it only had 80,000 kilometres on it – almost brand new in Toyota years. Which makes sitting here watching my repair bill getting ever closer to its purchase price so painful. How much money does one sink into a \$2,500 car? I'm up to around \$1,500 in repairs right now, and the mechanic still has about five hours to find who knows what. What keeps going around in my semi-mathematical head is: if I take the \$1,500 repair bill and add it to the say \$2,500 trade-in price, I could buy a whole 2001 Honda Accord, one of which is currently staring back at me from the used car area of this Toyota Dealership. Which means I could have a \$4,000, 2001 car instead of a \$4,000, 1994 car.

Hmmm.

I ask the salesman who has become my friend since I have been sitting here in the showroom for so long, "What kind of shape is the Honda in?" "Well, between you and me, I wouldn't go near that one. Transmission's ready to go."

"How much is a new transmission?" I stupidly ask. "Well, reconditioned, could run you

\$4,000-plus. But, take it from me, the best pre-owned car on the lot is that nice little 2006 RAV4 over there. School teacher lady owned it. Serviced it by the book. Mostly highway driving. 32,000 kms.

"How much?" I asked

"We're asking 17,500; probably go for 16,500." Thirty-two thousand kilometres on a Toyota is like driving it off the showroom floor. It's not even "broken in," as we used to say back when cars had to be "broken in" which entailed

driving at stupidly slow speeds for its first 2,000 miles.

Cars thankfully don't need to be broken in anymore. So my mathematically-challenged mind begins to grind again. I can actually hear it making cranking noises as it tries to come to grips with the day's opportunities. Let's see: if I trade in the Corolla for \$2,500 and add the now \$1,800 that I'm laying out for repairs, that's \$4,300, which I could put down on the RAV4, leaving \$12,200 for a car that will last, if my current car is an example, another 15 years. Wow. That amounts to \$813 a year or \$67.78 per month for this sporty 2006 Toyota RAV4. This is why my wife won't let me buy a car on my own.



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Vacation

AS I SIT HERE AT MY DESK, buried deep within the confines of what I generously call an office, I realize that I'm on the verge of my first real vacation of the year. Oh sure, I've had several other vacations this year but they were not real ones. That's because I stayed close to home, answered the telephone and wrote at my computer each evening.

On this vacation, I'm doing it right. That means travelling a few hours farther north and leaving phones and computer behind.

Plus, I'll be carrying a rifle for most of my time away. Not just for the bear that I'm hunting, but also in case I run into a computer or telephone.

On the eve of something as wondrous as this, a man gets to thinking about where we, as a species, went wrong. I mean what caused us to evolve into creatures who decided that we'd work the majority of the time and only goof off and relax for a tiny portion of the year?

It's completely opposite to what most animals do and therefore unnatural.

The problem, as I see it, was that one very twisted individual was able to influence us early on in our evolution.

"If only we could emulate the ants..." he probably began.

From that point on, that smooth-talking SOB made back-breaking toil sound like it was just what we needed as a society.

The leaders of the day pondered this and said, "But ants work very hard and they never seem to enjoy it. Your idea will make us all slaves and take away from our recreation, free will, and family time. Before you know it we will have grown old and bitter from spending most of our lives doing things we weren't ever meant to do. We can't have this."

To which he replied, "Don't worry, leaders are exempt."

And so this awful concept took hold.

The problem, as far as I'm concerned, is that there was no one present to play the devil's advocate and take on the other side of the argument.

I'd bet that for every person who admired the ant there were 10 who thought that the sloth had a much better idea.

Just imagine the outcome had these right-thinking folk been around when this debate was taking place. They might have pointed out that ants, though industrious, are regularly eaten by sloths, bears and pretty well everything else that needs an easy meal.

Also, they might have noted that ants are not smart enough to avoid walking into places that look like and are, in fact, traps, despite that all of their friends have walked in and never returned. And what about the fact that they're constantly letting kids with magnifying glasses do horrible things to them, huh? In other words, ants ain't too bright.

At the same time, they might have done a little PR work on behalf of less industrious animals. They might have pointed out, for instance, that lions do just fine without really going overboard in the hard work department. Or that bears spend an inordinate amount of time just lying there in hibernation and they also do just fine.

If they had just done this, things might be very different. Instead of our current mess, we might all work for just a few weeks a year and vacationing the rest of the time, just as God intended.

They'd break you in slow too; if you were new to work you'd start with just one week and slowly gain enough seniority to work for six. But that would be all any company allowed. And, forget about overtime.

But of course, those who might have advocated for this righteous cause didn't bother to prepare a case or even show up. Sadly, it was too much work.

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Vinegar Hill



pic of the past

This pic of the past photo was submitted by Karen Dunsmore (Robertson) of Calgary, Alberta. The teachers of Victoria Street Public School in 1970-1971 were, in back row, from left: Louise Curry, Mary Robertson, Olive Giles, Nick Pawluch, Dennis Baker, Doug Devolin (principal), Jane Cowie and Bonnie Walling. In the front row, from left: Enid Dart, Freida Stewart, Betty Herlihey, Jean Neville, Linda Clarkson and Frances Elstone.

letters to the editor

Trail views contradictory

To the Editor:

The juxtaposition of "Unauthorized trail work leads to \$2,500 fine" and "Local trails get big upgrades" on pages 2 and 3 respectively of the August 18 *Echo* was certainly interesting.

On the one hand, a severe fine was levied for trail work; on the other, \$192,500 was granted to various trail users from walkers to ATV riders to improve and extend trails.

Your articles inspired me to walk the Clear Lake trail to look for the "approximately nine sites where major work had been done" because a few years ago I met and worked with Larry Hewitt on a local committee and knew him as a man completely dedicated to the preservation of the local environment.

I could find no evidence whatsoever of any new trail: the trail in question and its various offshoots is clearly an old logging trail from the 1950s or so. A year or so of growth and wet seasons covers a lot in the bush, but I could not see any evidence of machinery tracks or major devastation on or off the trail.

I did find a birch tree which had been cut down from the middle of the trail, a large naturally fallen tree that had been pushed aside to remove it from the trail and another tree which had clearly fallen over the trail of its own accord before being cut off and moved aside.

I think some other small trees had been pushed aside. On one hill which was clearly subject to

natural erosion from spring runoff, it appeared that some minor work had been done to improve the drainage down one side. Carefully done.

Another previously existing cut of about two or three metres in depth may have been cleaned out at the bottom to provide better drainage for a boggy area which otherwise would be highly vulnerable to damage from trail users.

A few planks had been placed over another muddy area.

So, let me see.

Trail improvements are made for a variety of reasons such as providing a better trail experience for users, reducing erosion, stabilizing trails in wet sections and encouraging users to stay on the trail to avoid environmental damage off the trail.

Two levels of government, federal and local, legitimize these activities with substantial amounts of money and publicity while another provides severe penalties for the same thing.

Unauthorized trail work that was more than minor maintenance?

Perhaps.

Net effect environmentally damaging?

It was hard to see it.

Contradictory government values which raise some questions?

Certainly.

F. R. Shuttleworth
Haliburton

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LETTERS CONTINUED

Incomplete story on trail work

To the Editor:

It was disappointing to see the fragmentary reporting in "Unauthorized trail work." (Haliburton Echo, Aug. 18, p. 2). Larry Hewitt pleaded guilty to the charge of constructing a new trail. In fact, he was repairing ruts made by ATVs on the original path of a traditional (1950s) logging trail, an activity that he incorrectly thought was both legal and encouraged by Ministry of Natural Resources policy. However, the reason for his activity wasn't discussed at all by The Echo.

Mr. Hewitt, who has a long history of contributing time, money and equipment to ventures that enhance the appreciation of the local environment (e.g., the reconstruction of the historic log chute at Hawk River, and the excavation of the fish hatchery), was maintaining the traditional logging trail so that it would be safe for both hikers and cross country

skiers. A couple of hundred people have participated over the past few years in autumn hikes on the trail.

As part of his efforts Mr. Hewitt has, at his own expense, put in a parking lot and an access path on his own land leading to the logging trail. The irony of the story is very apparent when compared to the story on page 3 describing governmental contributions of \$192,000 for the augmentation of trails in Haliburton County.

One wonders why those who maintain local trails at their own expense for the betterment of the county are hindered in their activities, while others receive government funding for doing so. A complete understanding of the backgrounds of both stories would be interesting, and would better serve your readers.

Mike Brook
Kennis Lake

Thank goodness for honest people

To the Editor:

On the evening of Thursday, August 27 I enjoyed a movie at the Kinmount Theatre and accidentally left my purse behind. Fearing the worse, I was extremely happy to find that a very honest person

had found my purse and turned it in. I really would like to express how grateful I am to the person(s) who returned my purse, thank you!

Lottie Ruttan
Haliburton



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Sign bylaw too much

To the Editor:

On a recent Monday morning, the municipality of Dysart et al was at my store, Press Play, bright and early to remove my signage on the hydro poles at the edge of my parking lot at 50 York Street.

Press Play sits back in the lot so I put the signs up in 2007 so people could find the store more easily.

The signs were professionally produced and installed over old broken up plywood covered with graffiti and wiring.

At the time I believed the poles were on the parking lot property which is owned by the building.

It turns out they are just slightly off of that and therefore on Dysart property.

I was told two years after they went up that they had to be removed.

I asked for this to be delayed so I could apply for a variance of the bylaw.

I was told no.

So they had two years to complain and

I didn't have two weeks to respond.

Where is the fairness to local business owners trying to make a go of it in this tough economy?

I understand the need for rules and enforcement if signs are crudely made and put up haphazardly or create an obstacle for walkers or vision issues for drivers.

But surely there should be lenience for businesses just trying to point customers to the location.

Perhaps it is the fact that I said the library was a ridiculous expense so I am being punished?

So now we get to see the bare wood and graffiti again because the mighty Dysart has spoken.

People, please complain to them about the view now and know it isn't my fault or the building owner's fault that the poles are ugly.

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MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

How can you tell that someone lives or cottages on a lake?

The topic that interests them the most at a one-day environmental conference is septic systems.

One of the most popular speakers at a Lakeland Conference was Lake Kashagawigamog cottager Rob Davis. He's with Eco-Ethics, a company whose mission is to help people make sure that what they flush down the toilet or through their drains does the least damage as possible to our environment.

"I'm amazed by the way everything is connected to everything else," said Davis, who wants lakeshore owners to reduce the connection between septic systems and water quality.

His talk was often surprisingly entertaining, given his subject matter, and what interested the roughly 110 people filling the Great Hall of Fleming College in Haliburton the most was practical advice on what they can do to keep their septic systems healthy.

Ontario is in a sewage crisis, Davis said. When the sewage hauler arrives at your property to remove septage, where does he go next? Where does the septage go?

Septic tanks should be pumped out every three to five years. When hiring someone to clean your septic system, make sure your hauler is licensed by Ministry of the Environment and ask him what he's doing with it, Davis said. Septage is no longer spread on farmers' fields and must be disposed of at licensed facilities.

But a lot can be done by property owners between pumpings.

All sewage that goes into a septic system is treated biologically. Bacteria break

down the natural waste (but can do nothing about chemicals or foreign objects). Early septic systems were designed to handle only black water (from toilets), not sink water and definitely not the water that flows through a dishwasher.

The chemicals we use in our day-to-day life – everything from soaps to solvents – are changing the way our septic systems can handle the waste.

There are things you can do to help your septic system do its job properly.

- Don't do all your laundry on Saturday – spread it out over the week so your system isn't overloaded.

- Don't use water softeners. "You're putting salt water into a biological system," Davis said, and the salt kills the microbes that process the septage. As well, all the particulate that the softener is taking out will end up in your tile bed.

Make sure the grey water is discharged somewhere other than your septic system.

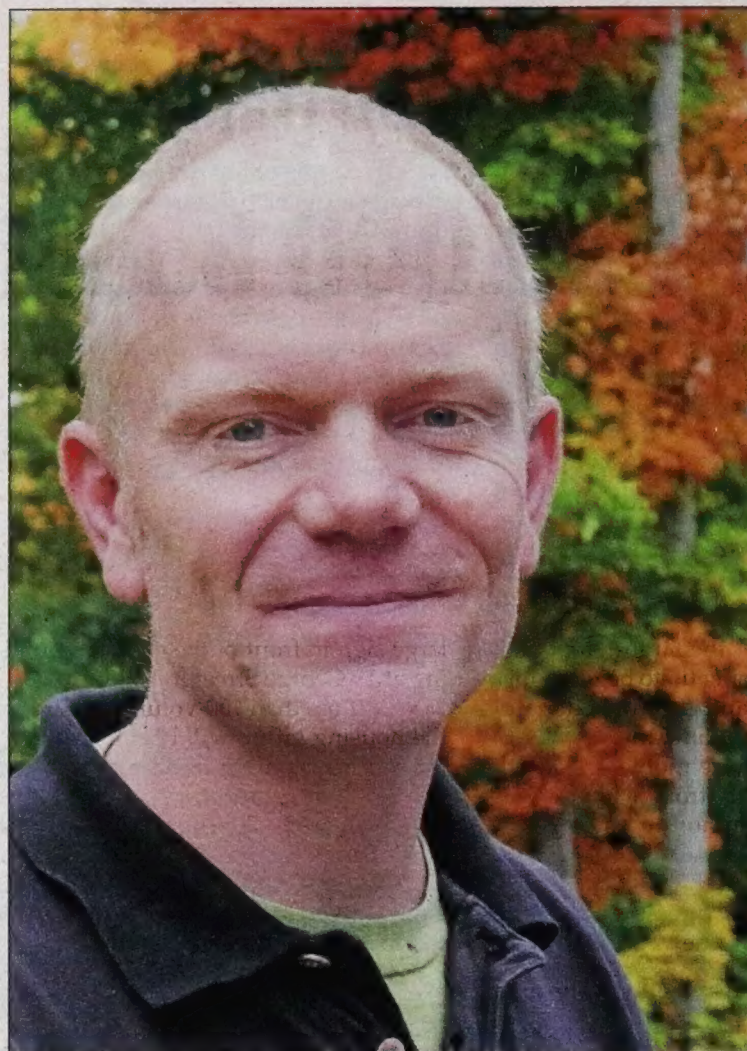
- Garburators puts enormous load on systems and it's important not to use them.

- You can use a dishwasher but use phosphate-free non-chlorinated products.

- Read the labels of products to find logos that show third-party endorsement. "Just because a product says it's biodegradable doesn't mean much. A old Ford parked in your driveway will eventually biodegrade, but biodegrade into what?"

- Don't use products that show warning signs such as a skull and crossbones. "Septic-safe Drano?" Davis said, his disbelief apparent. "If it dissolves problems in tanks, what does it do to the bacteria in your septic system?"

- Stay away from anything anti-bacterial, he says. Not only does it kill your exposure to the good germs that protect



Rob Davis spoke at a Lakeland Conference giving practical advice on maintaining a healthy septic system.

you, but the products kill the bacteria that keep your septic system working.

- Don't drive on your tile bed with cars, ATVs or snowmobiles. Put a couple of boulders around it to stop any traffic.

- Trees too close to your tile bed can fill your tile bed with roots. You can prune the roots or avoid planting near tile beds. Sometimes you have to cut a few trees.

- You can plant a vegetable garden over your tile bed but not if you have to water it often.

- Conserve water.

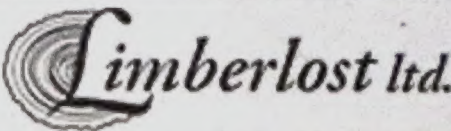
- Help your system generate the bacteria that cleans the septage but not by following advice such as putting a dead animal in the system every spring. The bacteria that decompose road kill are not the same that thrive on bathroom waste. But there are times when your system needs a boost. Davis provided the scenario of everyone coming up this weekend to close the cottage for winter. For the months that follow, bacteria have nothing to feed on and die. Then,

the whole family arrives in the spring to open the place again and wham, the toilet is constantly being flushed after months of disuse.

"The system is sleeping and we hit it with a tsunami of sewage," Davis said. Put a recognized bacterial product down your drain when you first arrive in the spring. In 24 hours you're getting treatment.

- Educate your family and friends about being careful about what goes down our drains and toilets. If you've got teenagers who want 15-minute showers, there are a few underhanded but effective ways to dissuade such wasteful behaviour. Buy the cheapest shower head that only dribbles water and put in a smaller water heater. There's nothing like a cold shower to keep time in the bathroom to a minimum.

You might also want to copy the sign that's in the Davis family's cottage bathroom: "Here in the land of sun and fun, we never flush for number one."



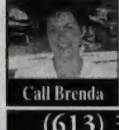
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Places for People gets a \$3,000 boost

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

Hudson Henderson Insurance and Gore Mutual were recognized for their \$3,000 donation to Places for People Friday at the affordable housing charity's first site in Haliburton.

The donation is the largest yet for the group that is gearing up to begin renovations this month and is the only donation from an insurance company.

"In the heat of the moment I saw the importance of this from what we deal with in the community office," said Darryl Hudson, owner/manager of the insurance company.

He called the donation a "win, win, win situation" for the charity, the company and the community.

The donation came in as part of a corporate campaign launched by Places for People to raise \$20,000. That money was necessary in order to secure a mortgage from the Haliburton County Develop-

ment Corporation.

"No bank would love us," chairperson Fay Martin said, "the development corporation was the only one who would even date us."

Places for People managed to raise the \$20,000 necessary through donations and loans from many in the community. All of the donors' names now adorn a large sign in front of the charity's building at 19 George Street in Haliburton.

Now more than 100-volunteers strong, the housing group will begin demolishing the insides of the building to ready it for two homeless or at-risk families. The spacious former dance studio will allow for three-bedroom units.

Volunteers can do everything from cleaning, renovating, providing food for workers or writing thank-you cards.

And they can always use more.

The renovations will end up costing \$105,000, Martin estimated, and thinks \$48,000 will come from a government grant called Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program. The rest will come-



JENN WATT/ECHO

Darryl Hudson, left, owner of Hudson Henderson Insurance in Minden, chats with Pam and Gord Forbes, two volunteers from Places for People, after a cheque presentation Friday.

through donated resources and labour from the community.

And although the group has enough to safely renovate the building, there are some pieces they'll have to put off until more money is found.

"We desperately need money. There's more we'd like to do," treasurer Adele Espina said. With more money they could replace the old windows, replace

the furnace, doors and porch. They also need volunteers to do projects as they come up.

The hope is that two families in need of affordable housing will be in the building by Christmas.

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OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

Clear-cutting 'ribbon of life' still major concern

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cerns with expansion on lakes and the importance of the "ribbon of life," or shorelines, of lakes.

He said his group didn't need new bylaws as much as the existing bylaws enforced. He also pushed for a tree-cutting bylaw that would limit lakeside property owners' ability to clear-cut waterfront.

"We have a problem of new property owners clear-cutting, which is a matter of education," he said.

Riddle said that mention of this bylaw caused the only tense moment of the meeting, where staff and politicians struggled to decide who would create and enforce such a bylaw.

Haliburton County is also revising its official plan, though it is a few months ahead of Dysart. The goal is for the county to take the lead with generalities and for the municipality to then detail the specifics.

Dysart planner, Pat Martin, said that the tree-cutting bylaw isn't actually contentious; it's just a matter of who will enforce it and which tier of government should take the lead. Since the county already has a forester on staff, it seems to Martin they would be best to implement such a regulation.

"We're only identifying what issues are at this point," Martin said.

She was happy to find that residents who came to the meeting had similar goals and views to the

municipality.

"It's encouraging that council is thinking the same way as people in the community are thinking," she said.

Findings from the input session will be summarized at Dysart council's September 8 meeting and public input will continue to be sought. There will be another open house in April, a public meeting in May and the official plan amendment should be fully completed by June.

More information can be found at the municipality's website: www.dysartetel.ca.



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This informative one-day workshop is part of the ongoing Stewardship Series workshop format that is entering its eleventh year of offering land stewardship education programs to landowners, cottagers, naturalists and those with a general interest in learning more about our natural resources.

Titled "Management Options for Your Woodlot," the September 11 workshop will cover topics such as what forest management options are available for landowners, common tree defects and their impact on forest health, managing the woodlot for wildlife, tips on selling your standing timber and choosing a logging contractor.

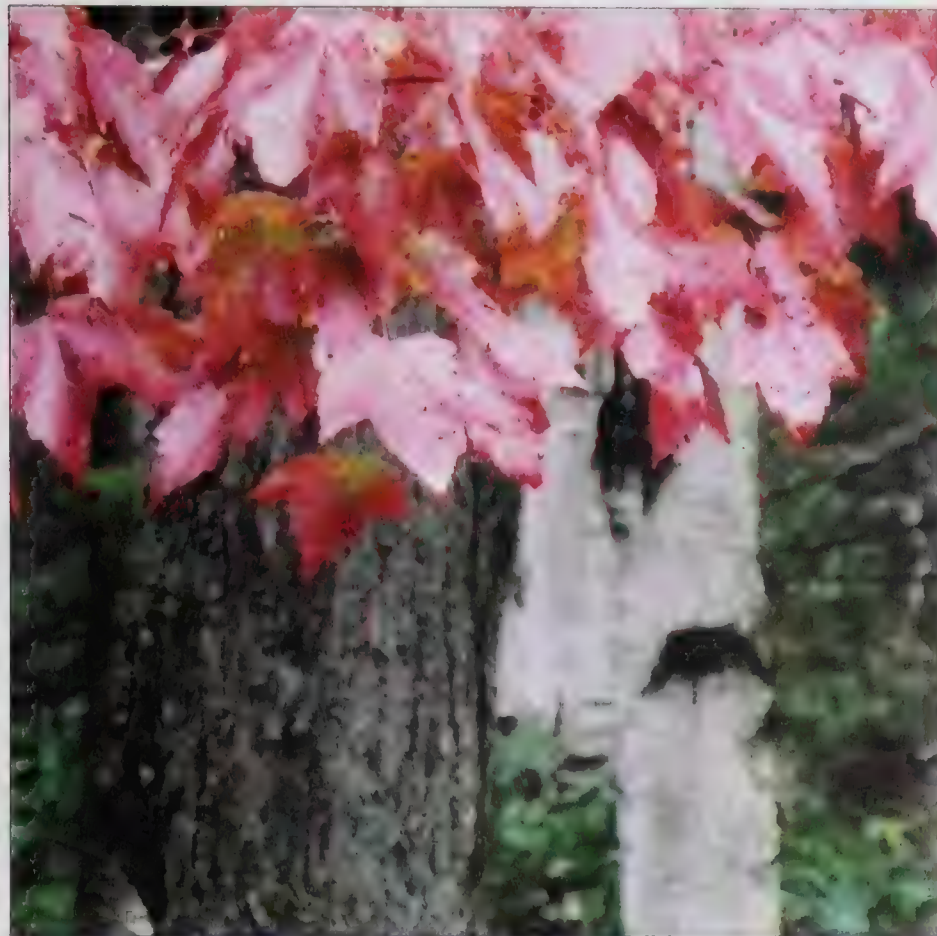
Participants will also have an opportunity to learn about the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program and the financial values of having a forest management

plan.

Following the morning session and lunch, participants will have an opportunity to visit both managed and unmanaged woodlots in the Dorset area as well as learn how to identify some of the tree defects discussed in the morning session.

New this year is a free copy of the second addition of *A Landowner's Guide to Selling Standing Timber* and the just released handbook titled *A Landowner's Guide to Careful Logging*. Also participants will have an opportunity to learn about recently published tree growth volumes and values from over 40 years of MNR research using selective cutting as a management tool.

The workshop runs out of the Dorset Recreation Centre on Friday, September 11 at 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with registration starting at 8:15 a.m. and the cost is \$25 per person. This includes the inside morning session, lunch, field trip and take home material. For more information or to register please contact Chris Near at 286-5206 or christopher.near@ontario.ca. Early registration is encouraged for this very popular workshop.



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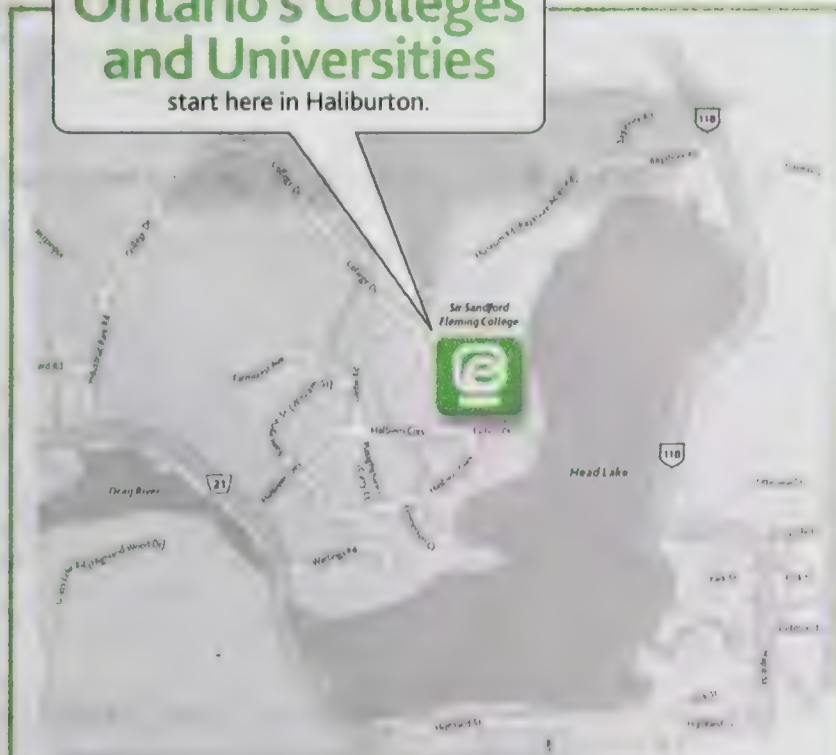
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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

A year in Namibia

Kennisis Lake cottagers leave comforts of home to teach in Africa

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

They will subsist on millet and corn, live in a small concrete dwelling, drive 200 kilometres to the grocery store and work for \$10 a day.

In the space of a week, the Douglas family will make perhaps the biggest change of their lives – leaving the lake-side serenity of their Kennisis Lake cottage to take up residence in the village of Mpungu, Namibia, one of the poorest regions of the African country.

Yvonne Leicht and Cam Douglas, teachers in Peterborough and long-time Haliburton cottagers, will take their two young children Jake, 7, and Kaia, 8, to live for a year as international development workers.

"It's the poorest region with the lowest education level," Cam said at his cottage one week before the family's September 4 departure.

More than 34 per cent of Namibia's population survives on less than \$1 (U.S.) a day according to the United Nations.

Both Yvonne and Cam have visited Africa before – Cam in Sierra Leone and Yvonne in Mozambique – and wanted to return this time as a family.

"We've had a taste of Africa ... and we wanted to take our kids at this age," Yvonne said.

For their part, Kaia and Jake are brave travellers. Both have already thoroughly researched the region: Kaia is able to name and spell the capital of the country (Windhoek) and the language she and her brother will have to learn to participate in elementary school (Rukwangali).

Jake thinks the trip will be "exciting" and is particularly looking forward to seeing his favourite animal, hippos, which he knowledgeably states will be 500 kms away in neighbouring Botswana.

Kaia is anticipating sand-boarding in the Namib desert, which has the highest dunes in the world, some reaching 300 metres in height.

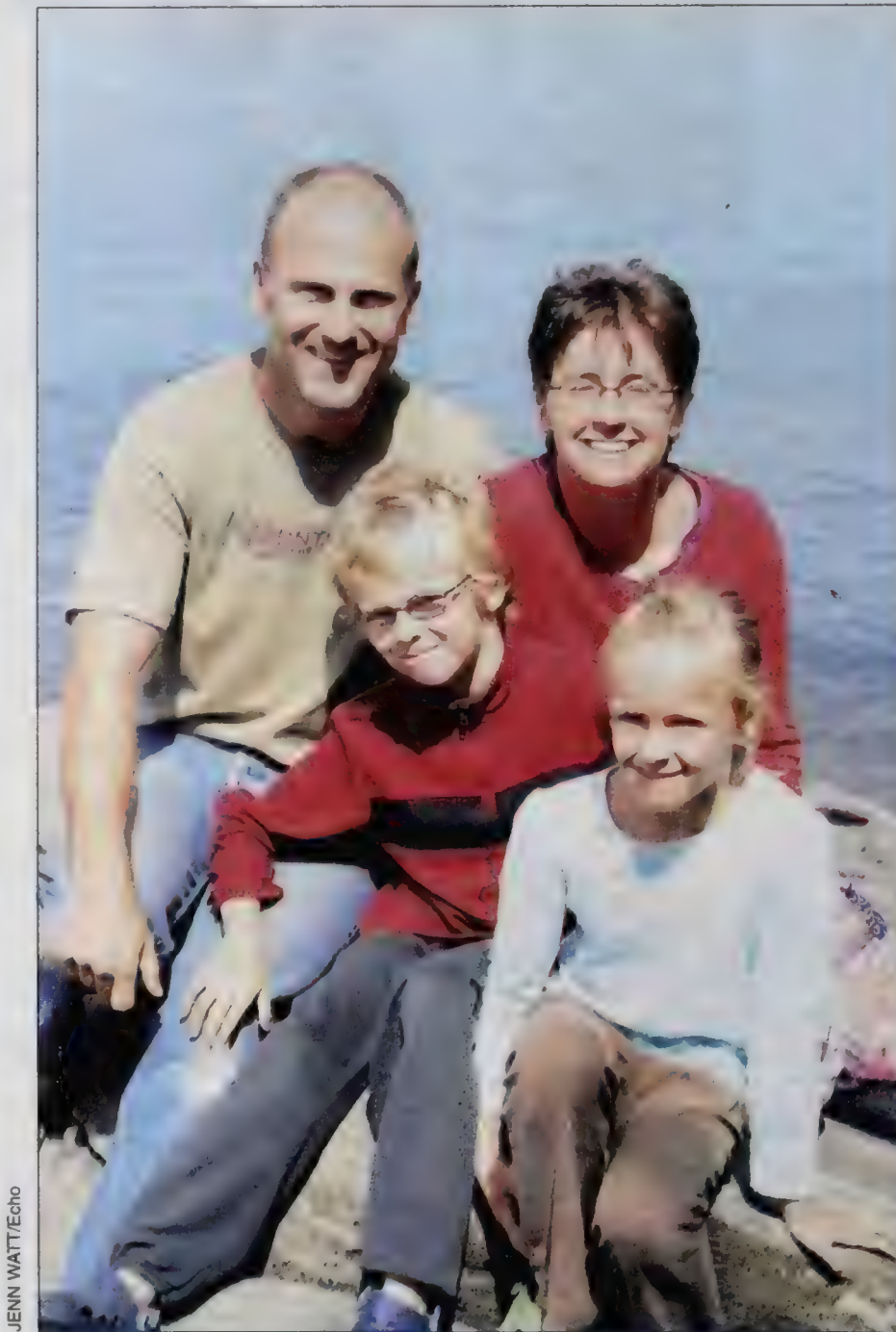
The kids will likely be the first white people their classmates will have ever seen, making them quasi celebrities, but Yvonne cautions them "it's not going to be fun all the time."

Certainly the children will have to adapt to a plethora of changes – simple food, simple lifestyle, new language, new culture, and a population of classmates who live in extreme poverty.

Meanwhile, Yvonne and Cam will live on a single teacher's salary, instructing classes at the secondary school down the road from their children.

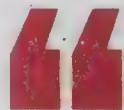
Their mission is twofold; they must both teach classes and also teach teachers and they're still not exactly sure how they're going to do it.

"It's got us thinking about meeting



JENN WATT/ECHO

The Douglas family takes in the view of Kennisis Lake from their cottage on one of the last days they have in Canada before departing for Namibia for a year. From left, Cam Douglas, Jake Douglas, Yvonne Leicht and Kaia Douglas.



We were told we'll get to know people who will die in our time there.

Cam Douglas on the rate of HIV/AIDS infections in Namibia

their needs on their terms," Cam said, and that will take some time to figure out once they get there.

The trip is organized by CUSO-VSO, an international development organization, and practically, the pair are volunteers. CUSO provides them with shelter and medical treatment and provides them with a salary that will allow them to get

by, but not much else.

In the instructional pamphlet provided by CUSO, it recommends the couple buy a car while they are there, while acknowledging the salary provided would never amount to enough to purchase a vehicle.

"Although not encouraged, hiking is by far the most common way of getting

from A to B whether that is 20 km to the next little town or 800 km down to Windhoek. Sometimes it is the only way of reaching your destinations. Usually you will have to pay for the ride. Other volunteers or colleagues will know where to hike from – usually a service station or prominent tree – and how much to pay," the pamphlet reads.

Luckily for Yvonne and Cam, they have enough money from teaching in Canada to be able to afford the vehicle.

The country of Namibia is technically "moderately developed" according to the UN's human development index, but Cam said that status is skewed as a legacy of apartheid keeps whites elevated with higher pay, education, health and social status, while the black population is still mired in poverty with a dismal HIV/AIDS infection rate of 22 per cent.

"We were told we'll get to know people who will die in our time there," Cam said. Even some of the teachers they will work with will pass away from the disease.

Although they haven't been instructed to do so, "one of the things we'll be focusing on is AIDS education," Cam said. Another scar from apartheid is the low educational attainment level of blacks, who make up more than 85 per cent of the population – which is one reason the family is working in the country.

"The education system is not good," Yvonne said, "the legacy of apartheid is a generation of people who are uneducated."

Most of the homes in Mpungu aren't connected to electricity, though the Douglasses will be. They will also have a well, which is rare in the rural regions.

Incredibly, the school they teach in is connected with WiFi Internet technology.

This means the family can publish a blog online about their experiences, as well as communicate with their students and classmates back in Canada.

The kids will learn how to use Microsoft's Photo Story, allowing them to create diaries using pictures. They will also write to their classmates back home.

"Their absence will be noted," Cam said.

Kaia wasn't so sure.

"Some boys act like they don't even know that [I'm leaving], but others are like, 'Kaia, I'm going to miss you!'" she said. Cam and Yvonne are hoping the international language of sport will help both their kids and themselves form friendships with locals. They're bringing soccer balls and hockey sticks along with them.

To follow the Douglas family on their trip to Namibia, go to their blog: cykjnamibia.wordpress.com.

URANIUM MINING

Cottagers head to Queen's Park

Cottagers Against Uranium Mining and Exploration (CUME) will be taking its message to provincial politicians with a demonstration at Queen's Park this month.

The rally will take place on Sunday, September 27 on the south lawn of the provincial legislature from 2 to 4 p.m.

CUME, citing numerous health hazards that can result from exposure to uranium mining, wants Ontario to ban the practice, as the provinces of B.C., Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Labrador have done.

The leader of Canada's Green party, Elizabeth May, will be the event's keynote speaker.

Bruce Cox, the executive director of Greenpeace Canada; Robert Lovelace, a Queen's University professor who was imprisoned for 101 days for blocking prospectors from First Nations land; Terry Rees, executive director of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association, and author Lorraine Rekmans will also be speaking.

For more information, contact CUME president Susanne Lauten at cottagers.vs.mining@sympatico.ca.



In advance of the anti-uranium protest at Queen's Park on September 27, CUME members have been transforming paddles into protest signs.

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BRING ON THE GOOD SEASON

Injury won't haunt Hodgson's NHL dream

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Cody Hodgson isn't getting his back up after a recent back injury.

"It's nothing big," Hodgson said in a telephone interview on August 27. "It won't affect me for camp at all."

At end of July Hodgson was training in London at the Power Play Training Centre, where he's been working with Dave Gagner, the Vancouver Canucks' director of player development.

Going through his workout routine, Hodgson says he heard a "pop" that wound up keeping him off the ice for about four weeks. This included his time in Saskatchewan for the Team Canada development camp in early August.

It's the longest amount of time the 19-year-old has been kept off the ice due to injury.

"I think injury is your body telling you to slow down a bit," said Hodgson. "I had long year. I went 120 games or so, it was fatiguing mentally and physically, but even though I was ready to come back mentally maybe my body thought I needed a little longer to rest."

You wouldn't want to rest either if you had a year like Hodgson did.

A World Junior gold medalist and tournament scoring leader, Hodgson had a year of accolades, including being chosen as the OHL's all-star player, most sportsmanlike player, most outstanding player, and the CHL's



Haliburton Lake cottager Cody Hodgson, pictured here during the 2008 NHL Draft, hopes to don the Canucks jersey permanently when the next NHL season gets underway on October 1. After being kept off the ice for four weeks with a back injury the 19-year-old is pumped and ready for the Canucks prospects camp, which opens September 7.

player of the year

Whatever he was doing it seemed to be right, so he just kept going.

But Hodgson admits the 2008/09 season was a little

different than in years past and the minor injury is a lesson learned.

"I shouldn't have done some of the training stuff," he said. "I got right back into it the same as everyone else. I should have just eased my way back into it but that's not really the way I've done things in the past. I just jump back in."

Being held off the ice for the Team Canada development camp wasn't easy.

"It was tough but it was good to get out there and see the doctors there," he said. "It was good experience just to go out there and see all the guys again."

Hodgson was also hanging out with 14 other potential NHLers on August 26 for the Upper Deck NHL Rookie Debut in Mississauga. His face will might appear on Upper Deck collector hockey cards this year.

"It was a real honour being invited to that and to see your face on the cover of a hockey card is a pretty cool thing," he said. "Growing up collecting hockey cards, it felt pretty special to have your own face on it and to have other kids collect [your card]."

But he's most pumped about the chance to play with the Canucks this season. Last fall he played a couple of pre-season games before returning to the Brampton Battalion for the year.

"I'm really excited," Hodgson said. "It's a great opportunity. It looks like there should be some spots available so if I work hard and play to my ability I should have a great chance of making the team."

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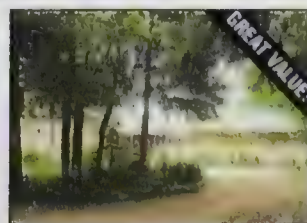
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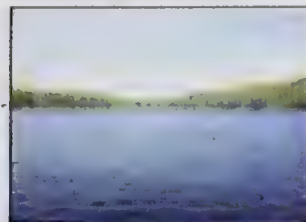
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Haliburton resident Allie Paul, 9, came in first overall for the kids' race and holds the best girls' award. She ran one kilometre in four minutes and 35 seconds.

KASH DASH

Dash to end summer

Over the last 11 years, the annual Kash Dash charity event for Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief has raised more than \$60,000. This year, organizer Steve Ferracuti estimated an additional \$8,000 was raised.

There were two races starting from the Wigamog Inn on Saturday afternoon – a one kilometre for kids and a 10 km for adults. By race time 118 participants in the adult race had been registered.

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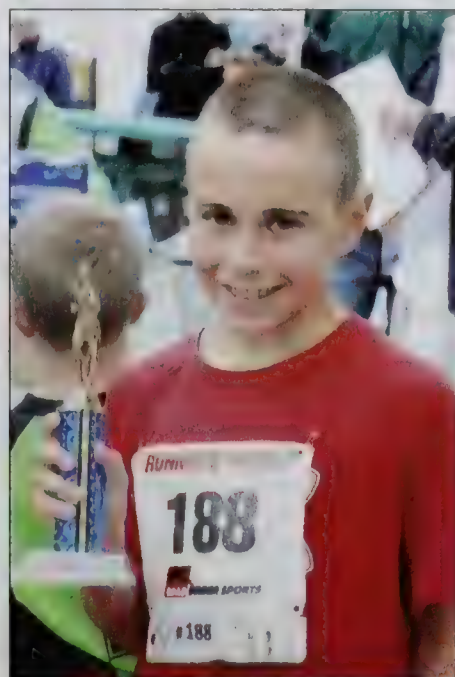
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This introductory level course is directed at individuals interested in learning about the exciting world of the Internet. Course content will include web browsing, email, social networking, accessing government services, and other uses of the Internet.

Section 1: Tuesday, September 15, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Section 2: Thursday, November 5,

Section 3: Saturday, November 21, 9 a.m. - noon

Instructor: Peter Smith

Fee: \$10

Internet Safety and Security

This beginner-intermediate level course is to understand and manage some of the perceived dangers of the Internet. The first part will address data and systems security in the face of spam, phishing, viruses, and junk mail. Secondly, the course will help in "webproofing" systems and children from undesirable content and social interactions.

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Section 3: Saturday, November 28, 9 a.m. - noon

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This introductory level course is directed at small/medium business operators interested in raising a profile of their brand through a customized web domain. A customized web domain offers businesses a unique address on the Internet. Specific items to be touched upon will include business website and email basics.

Section 1: Thursday, September 29, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

For a third consecutive year, Point In Time, Bell Aliant and the Highlands East Fire Department have teamed up in support of Backpacks for Kids.

This year, 47 backpacks filled with school supplies will rest on the shoulders of kids less fortunate in the county. Thanks to a \$500 donation from the Highlands East fire department, which goes towards the purchase of the school supplies, the backpacks are filled by Rhonda Cooper and Rick Stewart of Buck-Up Closeouts and delivered by Point In Time staff to kids around the county prior to the start of the school year.

Three years ago Backpacks for Kids launched with a total of 22 backpacks.

MATT JAMES/Echo



Backpacks for Kids gives the county's less fortunate kids a bright smile on the first day of school with new backpacks filled with school supplies. From left to right is Jeff Cattail (Bell Aliant), Jim Winn (Bell Aliant), Marg Cox (Point In Time), Highlands East fire chief Bill Wingrove, Liz Boxall (Bell Aliant), Bell Aliant summer intern Ryan Elchyson (on roof), and Greg Coumbs (Bell Aliant).

The program is more than double that number in year three is very pleasing to Point In Time executive director Marg Cox.

"With the economy the way it is it's

nice to beat the totals from last year, which was 44 backpacks," said Cox.

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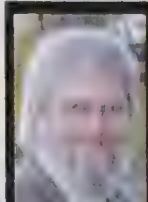
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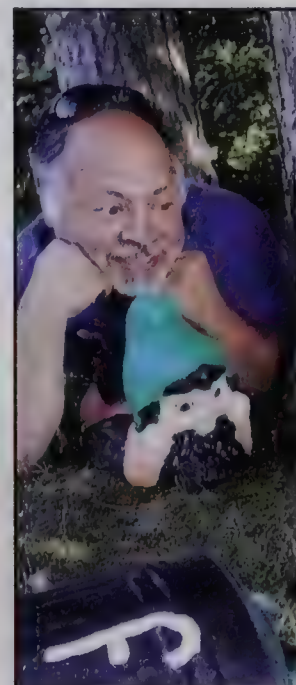
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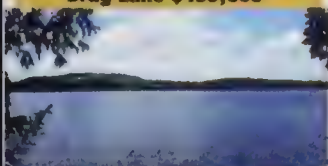
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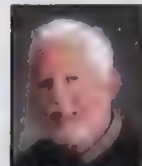
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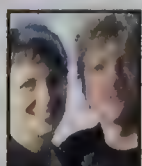
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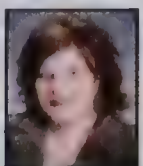
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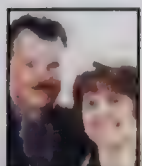
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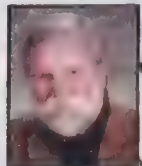
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SHARE THE ROAD

Cycling coalition wants roads safe for everyone

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

As the van drove up behind her on Highway 118, Lisa Malott focused on keeping her bicycle on the white line.

She was nearing the sharp curve where the old Fleming College used to be when the van passed her with about a foot of space. She noticed it was pulling a trailer.

JENN WATT/Echo



As cycling becomes more popular, along with events such as the Minden 150 bicycling tour, it's imperative that cyclists and motorists respect each other on the roads. "It's a 50/50 thing," says Sean Pennylegion, an avid cyclist and cycling promoter.

At that moment the wheel well of the trailer caught Malott's bike, sending her bouncing across the road, hitting her

head against the pavement twice and leaving her with a broken helmet, road rash on her arms and legs and a large bruise on her thigh.

"The helmet was cracked. If I didn't have that on, I would have been dead," Malott says, two years after the accident.

Malott is a triathlon competitor and still cycles about 150 kilometres a week training for races.

She applauds the Share the Road campaign launched by the Cycling Coalition, Haliburton County and the Communities in Action Committee as a reminder to motorists of how vulnerable a cyclist is on the road.

It also reminds cyclists that they must obey the rules of the road the same as a car.

Road signs, newspaper ads and radio spots are three campaign tools to get that message across.

"It's a 50/50 thing," says Sean Pennylegion, an avid cyclist and group leader for the Pedal Your Arts cycling tour.

"We [cyclists] have a right to be on the road, but we need to learn how to ride on the road in order to have those rights," Pennylegion says.

That includes wearing bright "don't hit me" colours, to always obey traffic

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Close calls remind cyclists how vulnerable they are

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rules like stopping at stop signs, clearly signaling turns and riding in single file.

Pennylegion considers himself lucky because he has never had an experience like Malott's. He rides daily to Pinestone Resort for a "25-minute hammer" and back to Haliburton village, cycles to work, to pick up groceries and to drop off the mail.

Creating a culture where cyclists and motorists respect each other is crucial to promoting active transportation as viable transportation, Pennylegion says.

"I'm really happy they're doing the campaign. It's wonderful just having those signs up on the road ... for cyclists and people in vehicles to think of where they are on the road," he says.

"It's really wonderful to be in a community that embraces that so well," he adds.

One of the biggest rules the campaign trumpets is for motorists to give cyclists space on the road and to pass only where there is room to do so, giving at least one metre of space.

Sue Shikaze, a health promoter and key organizer of the campaign, had her own close call while biking on County

Road 1 after work recently.

A car came up behind her and passed without moving over one bit.

"I think if I had stuck my elbow out, it would have touched the car," Shikaze wrote in an email. "It was as if the driver didn't even know I was there."

If there's no snow on the ground, chances are Shikaze is cycling, and she says most drivers are very courteous to her, but that two per cent who aren't can really shake a cyclist up.

"I think it's important for all road users to remember that cyclists are vulnerable. So as a cyclist that means you need to be vigilant, pay attention, be predictable, be visible and follow the rules of the road. As a motorist, it means watching for cyclists, and if you encounter one, be patient when passing," Shikaze says.

"Wouldn't it be great if Haliburton County developed a reputation as a place that motorists and cyclists share the road safely and courteously? The current campaign hopefully is a first step in moving us in that direction," she says.

For more on sharing the road, see <http://www.cyclehaliburton.ca/sharetheroad.htm>.



To train for ironwoman competitions, Haliburton teacher Lisa Malott spends a lot of time cycling down Haliburton roads. A couple of years ago she was hit by a van that didn't give her enough space. Knowing how vulnerable cyclists are, she applauds the recent Share the Road campaign, spearheaded by the cycling coalition and the county of Haliburton. In this file photo from last year, she relaxes at home with her son Ethan.

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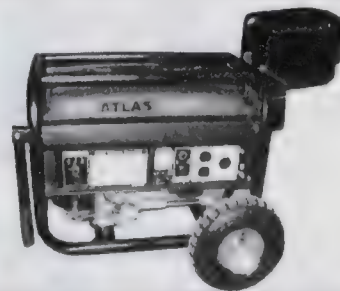
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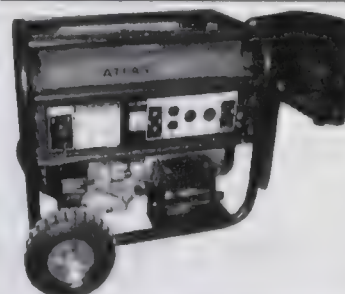
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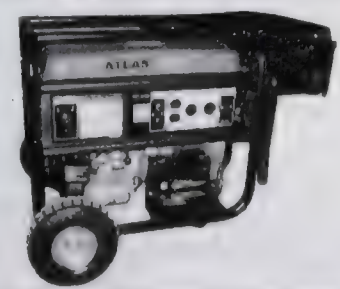
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children's books. One of Rotary International's mandates is to promote literacy, and so the Haliburton Club feels this donation will help meet that goal, and the books will benefit children throughout Haliburton County.

From left: Rotary president Maureen O'Hara, Rotarian Richard van Nood, County librarian Bessie Sullivan, Dysart councillor and library committee member Andrea Roberts and Rotary past president Jim Miners.

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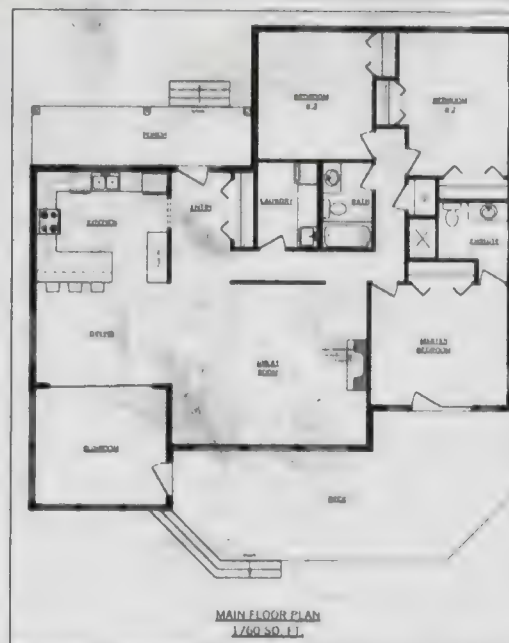
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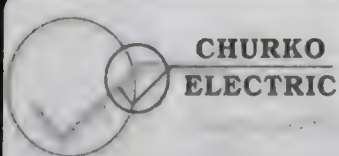
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Staff Reporter

Doubters of opera, doubt no more. The Highlands Opera Studio presents opera Haliburton-style with a version of the famous operetta *Die Fledermaus* that will have you singing and laughing all the way home.

On August 28, Highlands Opera Studio stage director and drama coach Valerie Kuinka told the *Echo* just how opera got started in Haliburton County and why tonight and Thursday's performances of *Die Fledermaus* have something for everyone – even the so-called non-opera fan.

Four years ago Kuinka and her husband, well-known Canadian tenor Richard Margison, had "the happy coincidence of running into Curtis Eastmure while in Haliburton shopping."

Since they're all involved in the arts, conversation turned to the Highlands Summer Festival. "One thing led to another and we were approached to be involved perhaps with the Highlands Summer Festival," Kuinka says.

Today the Highland Opera Studio is in its third year in the Haliburton Highlands.

Margison is originally from B.C. and considered buying a vacation property on Vancouver Island. However, since his career is based in Toronto and she's a stage manager with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, it would be quite the commute. Plus they do enough travelling as it is with their careers.



Bancroft's Adam Bishop (Gabriel von Eisentein) chose opera over becoming a doctor. Local audiences of Johann Strauss's *Die Fledermaus* will be glad he did. The Highlands Opera Studio performances of the comedic operetta showcase the talents of Canada's up and coming opera stars, as well as a few local singers. / Matt James photos

Kuinka realized that her husband was unaware of what beauty lie north of Toronto, where she had spent her summers at the cottage. After visiting Muskoka, Kawartha Lakes, and Haliburton County, Kuinka says their decision was much like that of the three bears: Haliburton County was just right.

They bought a cottage on Mountain Lake north of Minden seven years ago.

"The Highlands was the area for us," said Kuinka. "Being within the arts community already we felt there's such a huge artistic community here and artistic understanding."

The Mountain Lake property was supposed to be a sanctuary away from work life so it was a tough decision partnering with the Highlands Summer Festival to create the month-long opera studio. Canada's up and coming opera singers come to the Highlands to learn from some of the best teachers, including Margison. At the end of the month, they showcase what they've learned at Three Nights of Opera. There are two nights left for lo-

cal audiences, September 1 and 3, at the Northern Lights Pavilion.

"But I have to say we love it," she said. "The support from the community has been overwhelming and it's just so satisfying."

Both she and her husband have devoted their lives to opera. They've had great success on stages around the world but she says very often she doesn't get the support like she's seen here.

"Many of the larger centres are waiting for what's going to go wrong instead of appreciating the art form and why we all went into it in the first place," she said. "And we're getting that here."

Kuinka has seen this first hand working with the many volunteer of the Highlands Summer Festival and more recently working with the handful of local cast members in the presentation of *Die Fledermaus*.

She says the dynamics between the pros and semi-pros has been "fantastic."

This year there's the addition of a chorus of local performers.

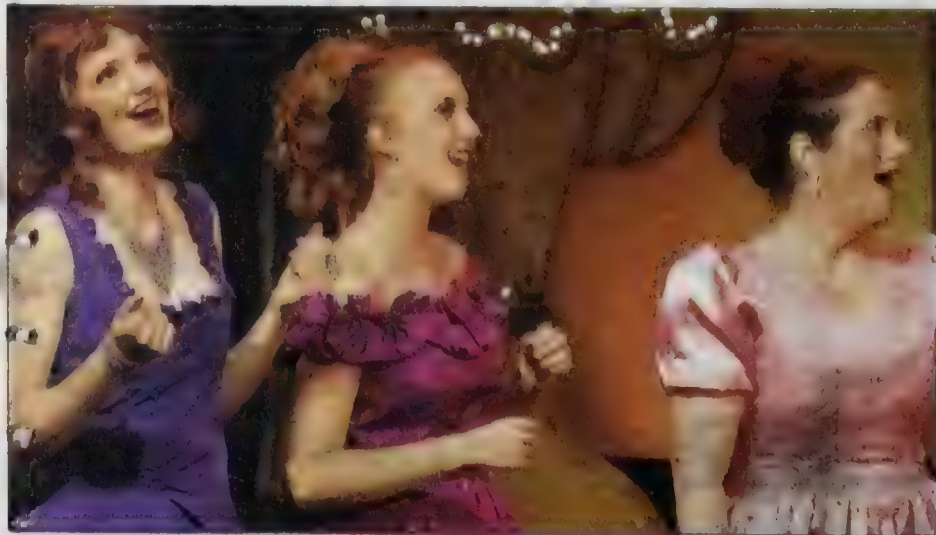
"We got such amazing support and feedback from people that wanted to be involved in the chorus so we came and auditioned people," said Kuinka. "The people that chose have been absolutely super enthusiastic and super accommodating."

So what does the upcoming show have to offer the folks of the county, especially those who aren't so sold on opera?

"It's entertaining," says Kuinka. "It's a combination of singing and speech. It's not relentless music and there's not only the local chorus but Jack Brezina and Tom Regina have cameos, so local theatre goers will know some of the people on stage."

In *Die Fledermaus* Margison and Kuinka take the audience through a wild costume party of confusing identities. And who doesn't like a show which has a plot about extracting revenge for an earlier embarrassment?

The September 1 and 3 operas at the Northern Lights Pavilion start at 8 p.m. sharp. For tickets call 457-9933.



This year for the first time, the performance has a cast of local singers including Jocelyn Regina, Kelsey Crowe and Lauren McInnes.



There's no hard feelings over an old embarrassment, right? That's what Adam Bishop, right, wants Vasil Garvanliev (Dr. Falke) to believe. Who'll get the last laugh?



Above: Maid Alison Arends (Adele) hopes to go the ball but what lengths will she go to in order to get there?



Above: Wayne Cooper (Dr. Blind) might not be the best attorney in the world but he sure is entertaining in song.

Die Fledermaus brings down the house

Middle below: The always comedic Chris Archer and fellow actor John Miller are just two of a handful of locals who make up the chorus.

Below: Chris Enns (Alfredo) serenades his lover — the married Miriam Khalil (Rosalinda). Uh oh.



Below: *Die Fledermaus* won't drive you to drink but you might want to celebrate after seeing it because you'll be in the mood. Andrew Love (Prison Warden Frank) and Chris Enns (Alfredo) have a drink before heading off to jail.

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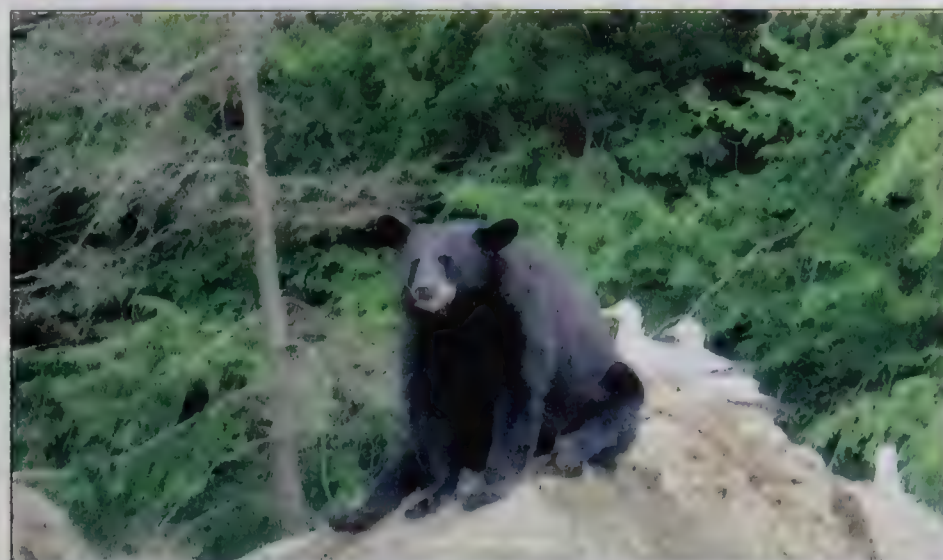
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Ray Arppe took this photo of a purple finch at Kennisis Lake.

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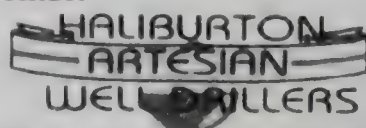


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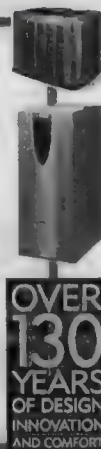
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For many who attended, it was their first time visiting the Butterworth cottage, and they took the opportunity to explore the beautiful five-bedroom cottage and meet new friends.

A delicious chocolate cake, decorated to look like the cottage, was the highlight of the celebration.

Doing the honours cutting the cake are Mrs. Butterworth and her friend and neighbour, Barbara Arsenault.

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Golfing for gas

With all the rain on Sunday it wasn't the best day for golf but for the Highways to Fairways threesome of Charlie Teljeur, Wayde Greer, and cameraman Jason Campbell, in green T-shirts, the amount of support they received for their Golf for Gas was "one big community golf hug."

About 124 golfers took to the Haliburton Highlands Golf Course to help pay for their gas as they set out to cross North America in a van on Tuesday. They're filming a pilot for Highways to Fairways, what they're hoping will be a television show.

Teljeur and Greer said they would have been happy to get 40 to 50 people out.

"It's one of those situations where you find out just how many friends and supports you have," said Teljeur. "It's humbling."

Golf course owners Mike Bogardis and Tanya Rosenberg volunteered the day's green fees, which were just \$10 and the guys want to thank everyone who's helped support the project.

You can listen to updates from the boys on the road on Moose FM every Monday, Wednesday and Friday around 8 a.m.

Photo by Matt James

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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE ROAD ALLOWANCE

DATE: September 14, 2009

TIME: Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has, by resolution, declared the following parcel of land to be surplus. This parcel of land is part of a road allowance located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

Applicant:	Paul Wilson
Owner:	Ian Pattinson
Location:	Pine Point Road-Kennisis Lake. a.. Part of Pine Point Road, Registered Plan No. 467, adjacent to Lot 12, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Havelock. b.. Defined as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd. dated February 17, 2009, being available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portion of road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 25th day of August, 2009

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VISIBLE VOICES

Program finds creative ways to help local seniors

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

A new art program aimed at helping isolated seniors re-establish human connections is taking shape in the county and will begin in the fall.

This past spring, a group of volunteers interested in helping with artist Fay Wilkinson's Visible Voices program gathered at the Fleming College campus in Haliburton to learn more about Wilkinson's vision for how the program will work.

"Certainly the intention is to reach out to isolated seniors in our communities," Wilkinson said, adding that the seniors could either be residents of the county's long-term care facilities or those who live at home but are unable to get out much.

Wilkinson hopes that through painting, sculpting, making music, writing poetry and working with fabrics, seniors will be able to form relationships with one another and in some cases, heal themselves.

"We can make new connections within the brain all the time," she said.



CHAD INGRAM/Echo

Fay Wilkinson is putting out a call to anyone who enjoys the creative process to take part in a new project called Visible Voices. It aims to use art as a way of reaching out to the county's older residents.

She stressed that it is not necessary for the program's volunteers to be artists.

"It is more important that you are reliable, love to cre-

ate and enjoy the creative process," she said, adding that the program is meant to be about fun.

"One of the things I'm hoping is that it won't turn into an art lesson, necessarily," she said.

Wilkinson was also careful to say that any form of artistic expression is welcome under the umbrella of Visible Voices.

The program is scheduled to begin in September and volunteers will be expected to do 15 hours of training before it starts and make 10 visits of one to two hours each with a senior throughout the fall.

"To me, it's about the ability to play," Wilkinson said. "That's part of being well. If they've got that, it's good enough."

For more information on the program, to volunteer or if you are a senior looking to take advantage of the program, call Wilkinson at 754-4004 or email fay@thecreativecocoon.com.

Notices



Haliburton County Council Notice of Special Meeting

The Council of the County of Haliburton will hold a Special Council meeting on September 9, 2009 at approximately 10:00 a.m. for purposes of awarding a Roads Department Tender.

A further Special Council meeting has been scheduled to take place on September 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. for purposes of discussing the County Official Plan update.

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HIT BY LIGHTNING

'It was as if a 1,000 watt bulb flashed off in our chests'

from page 1

and there were calls for thunderstorms, high winds, possibly a tornado. Being a couple of (dumb) adventurous guys, we thought that nothing could go wrong.

I had already suffered a major family tragedy this year, prompting a complete upheaval of my life in B.C. and a move back home to Haliburton. Once I got back here I was lucky enough to get a great job. I then promptly broke my neck and essentially watched my dreams of golfing, swimming, going to Canada's Wonderland, making new friends at work and playing with my five-year-old niece evaporate. So fishing on a giant lake for an hour or two in a light drizzle didn't sound so daunting to me at all. I felt like the forces of the universe must have decided they had already thrown enough at me that this year and they, most assuredly, would let this one slide.

We trolled the lake for about 40 minutes, skipping, casting and bobbing our lures in hopes of that elusive, but thrilling, bite. It didn't come. I actually had my camera out with me and got some pretty good shots. And to be fair, the weather wasn't all that bad which was somewhat of a disappointment because - full disclosure again - Russ and I had sort of wanted to see a tornado touch down on the lake. I understand that is a terrible thing to mention given the recent tragedy suffered throughout Vaughn and the surrounding area, but hey, I'm just telling the story how it happened.

So we went over to the other side of the lake and thought we would shut the motor off and cast in towards the shore and maybe land a musky or something cool. No rush.

I remember the moment it happened. I was on my knees at the front of the boat trying to balance as best as I could while still trying to get the hang of casting again. Russ was back by the motor sitting on the bench; his hat was pushed back so that it was almost standing straight up on the top of his head. He was reeling in,

MARTHA PERKINS/ECHO



A couple of weeks after DJ Gunning, left, broke a bone in his neck by somersaulting off a dock and into shallow water, his friend Russ Reid asked him to go fishing. They were in the boat when a bolt of lightning thundered down from the sky. This experience has grounded them both. Don't go out on a lake when it's storming.

I was casting out. I figured we weren't going to catch anything and that would be the end of that.

Then snap! Just like that. A bright flash. I remember feeling confused and strange.

"Dude, did you just take a picture of me?" I asked Russ.

"Uh no, did you just take a picture of me?" he replied.

It was as if a 1,000 megawatt bulb flashed off in our chests at the same time. But there was my camera, sitting unceremoniously on the middle bench. My hair started to rise on the back of my neck a little bit and I felt oddly calm.

"We just got struck by lightning. Reel it in, REEL IT IN..." Russ was barking at me. He understood what I did not. We had just had a brush with death. I started reeling in, Russ had the motor going full throttle already, trying to get us back to shore. I remember reeling the lure in and not wanting to break the rod so I was trying to gently place it between a paddle and side of the boat. Russ ripped it out of my hand and threw it down. "Dude, we just got hit."

Among some other things not suitable for a publication such as this, Russ was describing the events of the last 15 seconds, more to reassure himself that we

were still alive and still here. I felt the back of my neck and my hairs were up at full attention. I looked at Russ and noticed his eyes. They were glowing white. And he looked scared; I could only imagine what I looked like.

From the time we got hit to right now, it had been all of 25 seconds, maybe 30. I don't think I breathed once up until that point but when I did the taste was unmistakable. A mouth full of pennies, dirty pennies. It was hot, bitter and metallic and completely overpowering. We got back to shore, locked the boat up and rushed to our friend Rob's cottage. Roof. Safety. Shelter.

Rob came out to meet us paused for a second before he lit up his smoke, looked at us and asked the only question that came to mind. "What happened to you guys?" "We got struck by lightning," Russ and I replied in unison, in a freakish, slightly unreasonable voice. I was thinking, We had just escaped what could have been our final moment.

We discussed this at length that night and, with Russ's schooling in electrical engineering, we decided that it was probably a build up of positively charged ions in the atmosphere that just happened to culminate somewhere on the lake where our boat was close enough to be the conduit for all of that energy to escape.

So there you have it. Two friends made a bad choice one night and got a lightning bolt for it. I think I'll take that as a sign and retire my fishing licence for awhile. See if the fish are biting in another decade or so.

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Hosted by Chico Racing, Ontario's premier mountain biking event promotions company, Crank the Shield is a three-day, 250 km race. It starts and finishes at Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, and in between, takes riders on an unforgettable tour of the hills, forest,



Crank the Shield is being held again on the back roads and trails of Haliburton Highlands Friday, September 18 to 20.

wetlands and trails for which Haliburton County is so well-known.

Some of Ontario's top mountain bike racers will ride in this year's event, joined by other sport and recreational racers, and many others who just want to take on a new challenge. Chico Racing organizer Sean Ruppel reports that there are riders coming from as far away as British Columbia and California.

"This event will introduce riders to some great mountain biking opportunities in Ontario and specifically Haliburton County. We're very excited to have the entire course held within the County this year," Ruppel says.

Local cycling initiatives will also benefit from Crank the Shield, as Mark Schmidt from the International Mountain Biking Association is raising pledges that

will be donated to the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition.

In addition to the riders, more than 150 crew, volunteers and family members are expected to arrive in the county for the event.

Locals can cheer on riders on Saturday, September 19 as they pass through downtown Minden in the early afternoon, along the Haliburton County Rail Trail and at the finish in Head Lake Park in Haliburton on Saturday afternoon.

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Place: Blue Sky Yoga Studio, Haliburton
Please call Ellen King for more information or to register @ 286-2489



Terry Fox Run

25th annual Terry Fox run is scheduled for Sunday, September 13. Sign up and help raise money for cancer research. The run begins at the town docks in Haliburton.

Coming Events

To advertise your upcoming event,
call Laura or Sarah
at 457-1037



Motorcycle Poker Ride Into Fall

Saturday, September 12th

9:30 - 10:30am Registration/Pledges/Poker Card/Refreshments
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community calendar

What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or

to the **UR** Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

- **September 3 to 6:** Kinmount County Fair – Look inside the Cottage Times this week for all details or the August 27th Highlands Weekender Edition.
- **September 5:** Gooderham United Church Yard Sale – Join us from 9-3, light refreshments, donated items are appreciated. For pick up or drop off. Call Marg 447-2594 or June 447-2838
- **September 6:** Katherine Wheatley is Coming to Participate in our Haliburton Rocks! Package – Katherine is an amazing singer/songwriter and a geologist. She will add a new dimension to our exploration of minerals in Haliburton County. You will be entertained by a true Canadian original. Katherine possesses a talent that speaks right to your soul. Check out the Yours Outdoors website for a great new video for her song Water Moves Me. And did I tell you she is a geologist?
- **September 10:** Chereographed Ballroom Lessons and Dancing – Join us at JD Hodgson School Gym every Thursday. Beginners Two Step 7-8 pm and Advanced Waltz, Foxtrot, Jive and Latin 8-9 pm. There is no cost, soft soled shoes required.
- **September 11:** Ross Memorial Hospital Auxiliary host a Two Hour Dinner Cruise – You will travel down Peterborough's scenic

Otonabee River the leisurely old fashioned way. Bus available from Lindsay \$5 return. Boarding in Peterborough at 3:45 pm. Tickets (including dinner) \$40 per person. Call Glenda at 320-9628 or Julie Ann at 928-5810. All proceeds to Ross Memorial Hospital Digital Mammography.

- **September 12:** Haliburton Rug Hookers – Are offering a beginners course on Traditional Rug Hooking. At the Minden Legion from 10 am to 3 pm. For more information contact Peggy 286-3387 or Linda 447-1169.
- **September 12 and 13:** Settlers Village Quilters host Harvest of Quilts Show and Sale, A Quilt for all Seasons – Come join us at Kawartha Settlers Village, 85 Dunn Street, Bobcaygeon.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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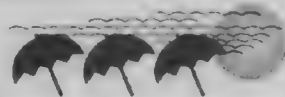
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All claims against the Estate of **MARGARET FEERO**, late of the Township of Anson, in the County of Haliburton, Province of Ontario, who died on or about the 11th day of December, 2008, must be filed with the undersigned solicitor for the personal representatives of the estate on or before the 15th day of October, 2009, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims of which the Estate Trustee, Fraser Allen Rogers, then shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 1st day of September, 2009

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Announcements

Deaths

BAIN, Kathleen Edith (nee Griffin) -

Passed away peacefully at the Chatham Kent Health Alliance on Saturday, August 22, 2009. At the age of 87. Beloved wife of the late Russell Allen Bain (1986). Dear mother of Tom and his wife Patricia, predeceased by her infant daughter Linda, grandmother of Chris Savoy. Dear sister of Max and Olive Griffin, Ray (deceased) and Ruth Griffin, and Adela Henderson (deceased). Fondly remembered by the Griffin and Bain families. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD** on Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. and then at the Maple Lake United Church on Thursday, August 27, 2009 from 2:00 p.m. until the time of the Funeral Service at 3:00 p.m. Interment at the Maple Lake Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family
www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

ROBB, Charles (Charlie) - 1941-2009

After a short illness Charlie died peacefully on Thursday, August 27, 2009, in the Peterborough Regional Health Centre. He will be missed so much by Sheila, wife of 48 years, sons, Kirk and Dale, daughter Debbie and husband Barry and grandson Carson; his two sisters, Jean, Louise and husband Roger, predeceased by his brother Jim and sister Lorraine. Fondly remembered by his sister-in-law Janice, husband John and family and not to forget all the many relatives and friends of Charlie and Sheila. In accordance with Charlie's wishes, cremation has already taken place. Memorial donations can be made to Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and/or to Haliburton Highlands Land Trust and can be arranged through the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd.**, P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. A "Celebration of Life" will be held on Sunday, September 13, 2009 at the home of Charlie and Sheila Robb, 1574 Buckside Road, Camarvon Area, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 pm. The family welcomes all who wish to join them in celebrating Charlie's life
www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

SIMPSON, Clarke I. - Passed away

peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Friday, August 28, 2009. At the age of 86. Beloved husband and Best Friend of the late Glenda for 62 years. Deaf father of Lynda Shearer and her husband John, James and his wife Jeanne. Loving grandfather of Carole Jones (Jamie), David Lacey (Berniece) and great grandfather of Stephanie and Theresa and great-great grandfather of Nathan. Dear brother of Rhoda Horton, Gladys Swayne and predeceased by Ruth Pilling, Zeta Byrne. Brother-in-law to Glenna Young, Ann Condor (Gord) and predeceased by Grace Kelso (Herb), Robert (Bob) Young (Marjorie), Joseph (Joe) Young, Frank Horton, Dexter Pilling, Bill Swayne and Leo Byrne. He will be sadly missed by his many nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm and on Tuesday, September 1, 2009 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Funeral Service at 1:00 pm. Interment at the Kinmount Cemetery, Kinmount. Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #441, Kinmount. A Masonic Service will be held on Monday at 7:00 pm at the funeral home. Memorial Donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund, the Diabetes Association or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family
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Adams-Wilson

Benjamin would like
to welcome
his baby sister

Roni Audrey Wilson
to the family.

Roni was born
July 5, 2009 at 2:48 am,
weighing 5 lbs, 14 oz,
at Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto.

Roni is the first granddaughter and 4th grandchild for
Ian & Kim Wilson and 10th great grandchild for Janet
& Ed (deceased) McGrath, West Guilford. Second
Godchild for Beth & Tony Frith (Taz) of Minden.
A huge thanks to Gwamma & Gwampa.

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In memoriam

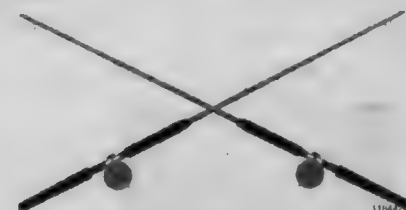


BOUGHNER, Richard Boyd -
March 15, 1961 - September 3, 2008

If only

*If only for a day, an hour, a moment;
For one more touch or smile.
The rain still pours, the sun still shines;
The tears still shed, the heart yet chimes.
If only for the sparkle of your eyes,
a laugh from within;
All those simple kindnesses
shown without guile.
Now solitude fuels this hidden pride;
Alone now, strength burns on overdrive.
If only to revise the yarn,
rebuild shattered tomorrows;
To mend tattered heart strings awhile.
Still the birds sing and dance in the sky;
And our lives we must live by and by.
Written from my heart to you.*

We miss you babe. Love always; Shelby,
Kolby, Dylan, Char, your two grandsons,
Mom and sooo many family and friends.
We look up to the heaven and know in our
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It is with great sorrow we announce the passing of a much loved husband, father, and grandfather at Soldiers' Memorial Hospital in Orillia on Tuesday morning, August 25, 2009 at the age of 80. Precious and very loving husband of Elva Robinson (nee Patterson) of Haliburton for 58 years. Beloved and devoted father of Lynda Porter and her husband Robert (Bob) of Haliburton and Jeffrey (Jeff) and his sweetheart Sandra. Much loved grandpa of Jennifer and Chris Porter.

"I'll be loving you always."

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends were invited to call at **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118 Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, August 29, 2009 from 1 o'clock until time of Memorial Service at 2 o'clock in the Chapel. Interment later St. George's On The Hill, Islington. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary or the Kidney Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated by the family.

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Ryan, Daniel-James

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Dan Ryan, age 64, on Monday, August 24, 2009 in the Haliburton Hospital after a brave and fierce battle with Pancreatic Cancer. Dan leaves his beloved wife and best friend, Jan Vernon and was the beloved son of Barbara Ryan of Richmond Hill. Dan was a loving and devoted father to his two sons, James Ryan (Lucinda) of Arlington, Virginia and Dr. Michael Ryan (Anna) of Winnipeg. Dan will be sadly missed by his three grandchildren, Christopher, Claire and Allis. He was a special friend to Jan's sons Jay (Beth) of Grimsby and Lee (fiancée Stephanie) of Montreal. Dan will be missed by his brother Ken (Darlene) of Sudbury, and sisters Sylvia Thompson (John) of Ballantrée and Ann McRae (Bill) of Moncton. Predeceased by his brother Bob (survived by sister-in-law, Rickey) of Sudbury. Cherished "Uncle Danny" to many nieces and nephews, and Jan's granddaughter, Aspen. Dan was raised in Sudbury and began his career with the Ontario Provincial Police force stationed in Sudbury, Chapleau, and Warren during his 10 year tenure. He entered into business with Radio Shack, owning a franchise in Sudbury and completing a successful role as security director at the head office in Barrie. Dan eventually became the section head and manager of security for the Revenue Canada-Taxation Centre in Sudbury. In 1987, Dan joined Cambrian College as Professor of the Police Foundations program, designing and teaching law and security courses. Dan was an accomplished pilot who both built and flew private aircraft and was an active member of the Sudbury EAA for many years. He was a long time member of the OPP Veterans Association (Badge #3023). Dan and his family wish to express deepest thanks to the Sudbury medical staff, particularly Dr. Ray Sawkiw and associates (especially Simone), and the Haliburton Highlands medical staff, particularly Dr. Aiofe Conway, and D'Arcy Hunter (Paramed Homecare Nurse) for their compassion, caring and support. As well, many thanks to SIRCH and CCAC for their timely and caring support.

At Dan's request there will be no funeral services.

As expressions of sympathy donations to the **Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation Box 1413, Haliburton, Ont. K0M 1S0** would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.**



London Reynolds

Resident of Haliburton, Ontario

At Ross Memorial Hospital with his family by his side on Saturday evening, August 15, 2009 in his 19th year. Beloved son of Christine Reynolds of Haliburton. Loving brother of Shawn (Reianna) of Ottawa and Carley of Norland. Fondly remembered by his grandmother Winnifred Reynolds of Toronto, his many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. London enjoyed hockey and basketball.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends were invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. 118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Friday morning, August 21, 2009 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to Big Brothers & Sisters or Point In Time would be appreciated by the family.

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Courtney Ablett

Resident of Haliburton, Ontario

Peacefully with his family at his side on Tuesday morning, August 25, 2009 in his 70th year. Beloved husband of Betty Ablett (nee McLean). Loving father of Keeley Timbers of Gilford, Darla (Doug Goobie) of Innisfil, Dawn (Marc Stevenson) of Richmond Hill and Tracy Ablett of Aurora. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Melissa, Justin, Julia, Roy, Taylor, Chloe, Kyle & Matthew. Survived by his two brothers and one sister. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Thursday evening, August 27, 2009 from 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday morning, August 28, 2009 at 11 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) or the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family.

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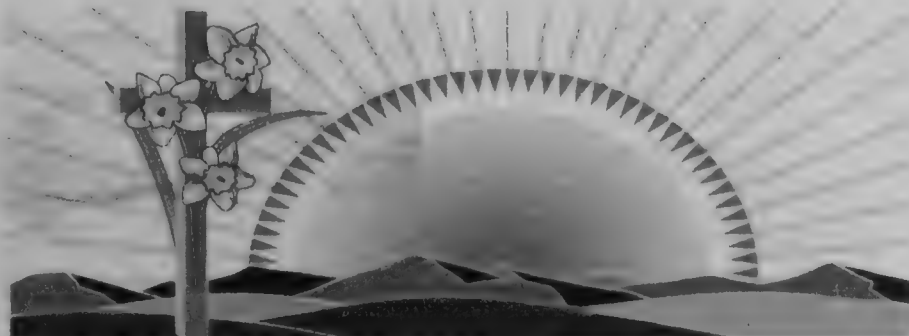
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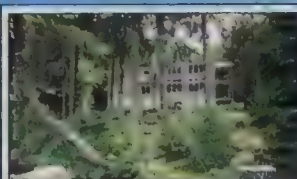
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HALLS LAKE

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DRAG LAKE - BONHAMS BAY

Spacious 7 bdrm cottage situated on a private, 3.76 acre lot with 374 ft of shoreline. Large living area, pine cathedral ceilings, stone fireplace and w/o's to 2 large decks. Full finished basement with large rec room. \$449,000



WEST LAKE

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KUSHOG LAKE

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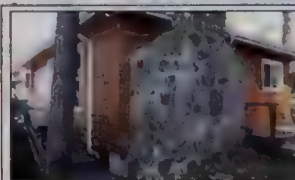
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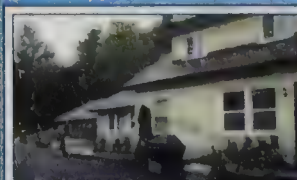
LAKE KASHAGAWIGAMOG

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ROSS LAKE

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HALIBURTON LAKE

3 bdrm backsplit cottage with pretty view of lake. Open concept, cedar vaulted ceilings, large deck ideal for entertaining, 266 ft of gorgeous frontage and approx 2 acres in size. Property size is 2 lots in total call for details. \$249,900



KOSHLONG LAKE

Traditional style cottage on Algonquin style lot. West exp & beautiful smooth rock shoreline, on a yr md rd. Wavy cedar wood siding, steel roof, 2 BR, 3 pc bath, screened porch, open concept living area. Large deck overlooks lake. This 3 season cottage is the perfect get-a-way. \$249,000



TROOPER LAKE

Nice, bright neat & clean 2 storey cottage. Situated on a level sunny, south facing lot with 117 ft of ftge. Open concept living area with w/o large deck. 2 spacious bdrms, 4 pc bath & fully insulated Bunkie with vaulted ceilings. \$249,000



TROOPER LAKE

Reno'd 3 BR cottage on pretty lot with good comfortable living area with woodstove for cozy warmth. Bright sunporch & beautiful stone patio/firepit at the front give lovely view. Good swimming off end of dock. Neat, clean & tidy... ready for you. Owner's care of this property really shows! \$239,900



HARMONY

Modern 3 bdrm home situated on level lot close to town. Enjoy the pretty view oge picture windows or your private front deck. Sunken LR. Main flr laundry, att garage. Nice, bright & cheery! FAD heat, central vac, central air and maintenance free siding. \$236,500



HALIBURTON LAKE

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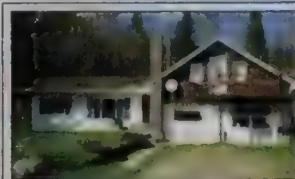
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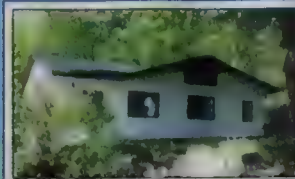
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The next big thing is little

Awkward Moments • Column by Chad Ingram • Photos by Jenn Watt

The idea to start a boy band was Steve Galea's, which perhaps should have been an indicator that the idea wasn't a stellar one.

Galea and I were leaving our support group meeting for short and stocky men (where little men go to discuss their big problems) and as we pieced together our portable stepladders to make the long journey into his van, he turned to me suddenly.

"Chad," he said, a strange gleam in his eye, "have you ever dreamed of casting off your journalistic shackles to pursue the glory of the limelight as a member of an all-male pop group?"

"Hmm, no," I responded, while nodding my head up and down. "I love my job and find it fulfilling to no end."

I knew full well there was a distinct possibility that our oppressive ruler – the editor who Galea and his Awkward Moments colleague Jenn Watt had dubbed Parsimonious Perkins – had bugged Galea's van.

Galea proceeded to tell me that the tree in which he made his home needed upgrades (mainly lower cabinets) and that the salary Perkins provided him – a jar of



They may not be tall but the Sweet 'n' Low boys band is sure to be big once the crowd at the Kinmount Fair hear Matt James, Steve Galea and Chad Ingram sing this weekend.

peanut butter, a box of toothpicks and a gun magazine each week – was not going to be enough to cut it.

I had been getting a little fed up with my own weekly pay – a can of sardines, a bottle of grain alcohol and a coupon for socks – so I whispered that I might be interested.

"Think of it," Galea proceeded. "Think of all the greats; the Backstreet Boys, N'Sync, 98 Degrees. Those guys have made tons of cash. And the ladies, oh the ladies."

He had my attention well enough.

"Not that I like boy bands. Boy bands suck," he said, shovelling his New Kids on the Block air freshener and travel mug into the glove compartment.

"All we need is a gimmick," Galea said, duct-taping the croquet mallets that would allow him to operate the van's pedals with his feet. "All great boy bands need a gimmick."

"Hmm, I'm not sure," I said as I adjusted the phone-books beneath me to see over the dashboard.

We looked at each other. It hit us.

"Our name shall be Sweet n' Low," Galea proclaimed, "because our melodies will be sweet and well . . ."

We both looked at the van floor. "We'll need at third, though," Galea said. "For the ladies."

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How low can you go to earn a little extra cash? After complaining about parsimonious ways of their feared editor, Matt James, Chad Ingram and Steve Galea form a boy band and head over to the 100.9 Canoe FM headquarters to record their first songs, including *Meet You at the Shallow End*.

Boys get the sweet and low down on fame

Instantly, our dwarfish colleague Matt James, sports reporter and infamous casa nova, came to mind.

James had a voice smooth as an air-brushed Noxema model, as crisp as a Conan O'Brien punch line.

"James," I said.

"Let's roll," Galea said, putting the van into drive using the metre stick taped to his arm.

At the *Cottage Times* headquarters, James was reclining on his red, velvet couch. By far Perkins's favourite employee, James yielded a mean bounty each week: a roll of hockey tape, 10 containers of Mister Noodles and all the movies he could rent.

Though Perkins's door was closed, Galea and I knew the drill like the back of our tiny hands. We left a pile of scented letters complimenting her extreme beauty and perpetual grace at her doorstep. Then, turning to James, Galea delivered the same passionate speech about the virtues of a quality boy band that he had given me.

James was pensive, stroking his chiseled chin.

"Okay," he said, "But I want 60 per cent of everything we bring in."

Since James was by far the skinniest and most marketable one of our threesome, Galea and I agreed.

The next day we sat down to write some tunes and

rehearse. The fact that we lacked any real musical talent didn't deter us since a lack of musical talent of any sort is the hallmark of all boy bands.

In a matter of a few hours, we'd penned several quality songs.

I Can't Reach Your Heart, *Three Phonebooks to Your Eyes*, *Am I Taller Than a Fifth Grader?* and *Meet Me in the Shallow End* were dynamite tracks, serene in their melodic genius and with lyrics deeper than America's debt.

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Boy, they're bad

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When it came to rehearsal, James was, of course, on fire, his supreme soprano dancing like a spastic nymph above Galea and me. I tried my best to hold down a sustainable tenor while Galea struggled to keep up. While supposedly the group's bass vocalist, the sounds projecting from his throat sounded something like a cross between a cow's fart and cat being stabbed to death.

No matter. Like all great boy bands, we could fix that problem in the studio with the help of some digital gadgetry.

The next day, after Galea had bribed the staff at Canoe FM with a jar of peanut butter, we set off for the Canoe studios to record our EP. With us crowded around a microphone, Don Cameron graciously recorded some *cappella renditions* of our jaw-dropping songs.

We finished and, happy with our performance, gave each other a round of high, or should I say low, fives.

Cameron stood just looking at us, obviously in awe of our immaculate performance.

"If it was possible for my ears to puke, they would," Cameron said before rushing over to a garbage can.

The next day, in preparation for our big Kinmount fair gig, we exposed our talents to the public for the first time and performed a free show on the sidewalks of downtown Haliburton.

While the tomatoes, cucumbers and heads of lettuce that people hurled at us hurt quite a lot, we were at least able to assemble a nutritious meal.

The next day, Galea suggested that before the Kinmount fair show, we should hold our own concert at the fairgrounds to get used to the venue.

"And also for the ladies," he said.

When show day came, we arrived at the Kinmount



One of the reasons why James, Ingram and Galea started a boy band was to attract girls. They'd better make that girl singular if their concert in the Kinmount fairgrounds is anything to go by.

fairgrounds to find them empty. While we had papered telephone poles throughout Haliburton County with posters for the show, there was a good possibility that they had simply been too low for anyone to notice.

Then, we spotted one fan, seated in front of the fairgrounds' stage. "And it's a lady," Galea said, as he tried to stop his uncontrollable sobbing.

Turned out the woman was some kind of political activist, there to protest the murder of the thousands of peanuts that had been slaughtered in order to make the fudge that would be sold at the fair this weekend.

We put on a show for her anyway, the likes of which she had never seen and surely never will again.

It was clear that her seeming complete indifference to us, her nose buried in a newspaper all the while, was just an act. Then, following our stunning performance,

James snapped. "Sweet 'n' Low," he barked at Galea and me. "I think you guys lean a little too heavily on the sweets, if you know what I mean."

"Huh?" Galea asked, shovelling globs of cotton candy into his mouth.

"I'm saying two guys are problematically plump, if you know what I'm saying," James said.

"What do mean?" I asked, taking another bite of my deep-fried Snickers bar.

"You guys are fat," James said, "and it's totally killing our vibe."

James then announced he was leaving the group to start a solo project, Matt James and the Better Than Yous. "For the ladies," he said.

So, our boy band dreams crushed, Galea and I turned back to our keyboards once again.

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Margison will be accompanied by Bill King.

The intimate setting with a great view over the golf course and a night filled with wonderful music is a delightful way to spend an early September evening. The proceeds from the night's gig will be used to support the work of the Highlands Opera Studio.

The show begins at 8 p.m. but you are welcome to come early for dinner and then stay for the music.

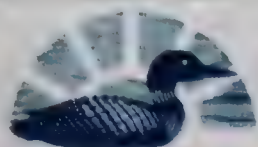
Tickets are only \$10. They can be reserved by calling the Highlands Summer Festival box office at 457-9933. A limited number may also be available at the door.

This musical evening is co-sponsored by Highlands Summer Festival and Pinestone Resort.

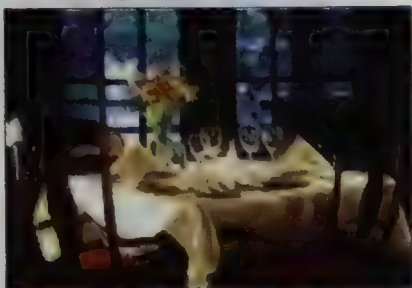


Lauren Margison, second from right, is known to Canadians as one of Canada's Real Divas. On September 2 she's going solo at the Pinestone Resort. Accompanied by Bill King, she'll be singing a variety of old standards. The *Toronto Sun* once wrote, "Lauren is everything wrapped in one powerhouse person and voice -- she can stop a room with her version of First Time Ever I Saw Your Face."

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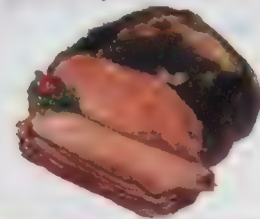
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See you at the movies

Although it seems like summer has just arrived, incredibly September is only a few weeks away! Here's an update on what the group called Those Other Movies has been working on for season four of some of the best cinematic offerings.

Here we grow again! This season the volunteer group is thrilled to offer its movies for the first time in both Haliburton and Minden - at the Northern Lights Pavilion in the high school in Haliburton Village AND at the newly renovated Beaver Theatre in Minden.

There will be two shows, at 4:15 and 7:15 p.m. at both locations. Individual tickets (\$8) will be sold at the door before each screening. Season passes are just \$60 for all 10 films screened September through June. Choose the time and location that is most convenient for you. You may also attend a screening at a different time or location if seating is available. As always, passes are transferable, so you can share with a friend.

To purchase a season pass, contact Roberta Coles at 286-3656 or Roberta@first-page-seo.com.

Movies* scheduled to start off Season 4 are:

September 10 - Outsourced
October 8 - The Big Night
November 5 - Stone of Destiny
December 3 - Young @ Heart
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If you haven't sneaked a peek inside the Beaver Theatre lately, you are in for a pleasant surprise. The transformation is incredible. The town of Minden is indeed fortunate to have such a wonderful facility and Those Other Movies can't wait to start screening films in this stylish old movie house.

The 3rd annual Haliburton International Film Festival (HIFF) will be held the weekend of November 20, 21 and 23. This year HIFF will take place at the Beaver Theatre. Plans are under way to make this year's event better than ever. Of course 48 Create will once again be an integral part of the festival, screening film projects by some of our talented local filmmakers.

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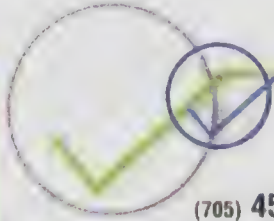
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• Freddy Fusion & His Science Magic Show
• Fernandez, The Hypnotist
2 p.m.
• Ambassador pageant in tea garden
• Kinmount citizen of the year, Kinmount & District Lions Club
2:30 p.m.
• Vintage tractor pull followed by truck pull in conjunction with Great Lakes Truck & Tractor Pull Association. Helmets are mandatory
3:30 p.m.
• Freddy Fusion & His Science Magic Show
• Fernandez, The Hypnotist
6 p.m.
• Pioneer exhibit closes
7 p.m.
• Poultry barn closes
• Registration for demolition derby
• Register for 2 classes - FS Pro Mod. DD; 4 cylinder figure 8 race
8 p.m.
• Exhibit Hall closes
• Demolition Derby
9 p.m.
• Dance in the arena featuring Friendly Fire

9:30 a.m.
• Free shuttle bus service begins at off-grounds parking lot
• Horse judging begins
• All Buildings Open
10 a.m.
• Junior cattle show begins
• World's Finest Shows, midway opens
• MANE
• ATTRACTION - Exotic animals, petting zoo and pony rides in Kiddyland
• Sheep judging in the livestock ring
11 a.m.
• Parade assembles downtown
• Cattle show begins
11:30 a.m.
• Freddy Fusion & His Science Magic Show
• Fernandez, The Hypnotist
12 noon
• WARRIORS' DAY PARADE leaves downtown
12:30 p.m.
• Registration for the talent show
1 p.m.
• Official opening of the fair
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• Refreshments available in the arena
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2 p.m.

• **GRANDSTAND
SHOW** - Beverley
Mahood

• Heavy and saddle
horse judging continues
3:30 p.m.

• Freddy Fusion & His
Science Magic Show

• Fernandez, The
Hypnotist

6 p.m.

• Light horse draw fol-
lowed by heavy horse
draw

• Arena closes to pre-
pare for dance

• Pioneer exhibit closes

7 p.m.

• Exhibit hall and poul-
try barn closes

9 p.m.

• Dance in the arena

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10 p.m.

• Shuttle bus service
ends

Sunday, September 6

7 a.m.

• Gates open.

9 a.m.

• Light horse and pony
judging - show ring

9:30 a.m.

• All buildings open
• Free shuttle bus ser-
vice begins at off-grounds
parking lot

9:30 a.m.

• World's Finest Shows,
midway opens
• Children's races at
judges stand

9:45 a.m.

• Ecumenical Church
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11 a.m.

• Sanctioned goat show
at the livestock ring

11:30 a.m.

• Freddy Fusion & His
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• Refreshments avail-
able in the arena

1:30 p.m.

• Freddy Fusion & His
Science Magic Show

• Fernandez, The
Hypnotist

2 p.m.

• Demolition derby,
featuring 5 classes

3:30 p.m.

• Freddy Fusion & His
Science Magic Show

• Fernandez, The
Hypnotist

4 p.m.

• Pioneer exhibit closes
• Poultry barn closes

5 p.m.

• Exhibit hall closes

5:15 p.m.

• Exhibit hall re-opens
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6 p.m.

• Arena and exhibit hall
closes

7 p.m.

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Need an antique appraised?

Column by Pauline Johnson

For those who appreciate antiques, garage sales can be interesting. We love the joy of discovery, especially at bargain prices. Cottage country is a wonderful place to pick up remnants of our heritage and Haliburton County garage sales are certainly plentiful.

Who better to give an idea of the value of treasures than Ed Calder of Calders Antiques? He has graciously agreed to donate his talents to The Minden Hills Cultural Centre for a day at The Great Green Garage Sale that R.D. Lawrence Place is holding on September 12. You can call to make an appointment and bring items, or photos of items, to talk about values. Don't forget to write down any information found on your items that could help to date them or write out

the history of any family heirloom. The provenance of items often adds to their value. We know this from a TV favourite, *The Antiques Road Show*.

Calder and his wife, Virginia, have been avid collectors over the years. A couple of buildings and three huge Quonset huts, full of antiques, attest to their dedication to a vocation that their families have been immersed in for three generations. Calder's grandfather was a dealer in Scotland. His father came to Canada at the age of 10 to live with an aunt. Getting off the train at the wrong place, he went right to work and eventually became a self-made man with his cabinet making skills. He retired, owning four stores and a large barn in Flesherton, then moved to Algonquin Park with his family. Soon tired of a slower pace, the family moved

to their Hwy. 35 location in Norland and set up business again.

Calder had always worked for his father whom he described as, "a man of the old school – industrious, very smart and truly gifted when it came to building. He used to be driving along and see a tree; then he would envision the boards and the furniture it would make, or the house. In a year he might be thinking about 8,000 projects but he would only get through 4,000. He only slept four to five hours a night and worked the rest of the day. He was a wonderful father, a good friend and a true mentor."

With self-deprecating humour, Calder quipped, "I used to think that I was a no-good man until I was 20 because I only worked 12 hours a day."

With his appreciation for heritage items, Calder is amazed that people are so quick to give up family heirlooms, even such things as family Bibles. About eight years ago, he received a call from a family selling the treasures from their mother's estate. She had been an artist and travelled the world bringing back unique and beautiful items. The family said that these things wouldn't suit their modern houses. They were going to have a garage sale, but decided to contact Calders Antiques. Calder says that half the things he purchased from them are



Ed Calder, of Calder Antiques will be at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre to appraise your family heirlooms.

in his own home now, and he is incredulous that they didn't value what they had, even when he told them what they were worth.

As Minden celebrates its sesquicentennial, heritage plays a large part in its activities this year. Where do your treasures fit in? For a 10 minute appointment to speak with Ed Calder at the Great Green Garage Sale on September 12, call 489-3878 or e-mail rdlawrence-place@mindenhills.ca. There is no set charge but donations will be taken for the development of the archive room at R.D. Lawrence Place.

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Beware of giant hogweed

This giant hogweed was found on Fishtail Road near Harcourt. If you see a giant hogweed, don't touch it. It causes a very severe skin reaction. The photos are by Dave Clark, a Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Ranger crew leader.

• Story by Martha Perkins •

It's flower looks a much daintier version of a cauliflower but nothing else is pretty about the giant hogweed.

If you see one, do not touch it. Do not try to cut it down and remove it. Do not allow your child to think that its long, hollow stem would make a great make-believe periscope.

Hogweed produces a sap which makes the skin highly sensitive to ultra-violet rays. As described on www.ontarioweeds.com, "this can result in severe burns to the affected areas resulting in severe blistering and painful dermatitis. These blisters can develop into pur-

plish or blackened scars. It does this through chemicals called furanocoumarins, which react with DNA in skin cells, cross linking the strands and making them permanently susceptible to damage by sunlight. Contact with the eyes may cause blindness."

Is that reason enough to treat the giant hogweed with extreme caution?

A few years ago, giant hogweed was noticed in the Dorset and Harcourt Park areas. Attempts were made to eradicate it but that's not an easy task given how many seeds each plant produces.

The province has a list of noxious weeds that municipal governments are responsible for dealing with but giant hogweed isn't on the list. Municipal governments will deal with the plant when it's growing on public property but if it's on private property it's the land-owners responsibility to remove it.

And remove it people should, says the county's forestry bylaw official James Rogers. Why? "The hazards to human health and taking over of natural eco-systems."

However, this is not a job people should try to do on their own, nor should they try to do it now, when the plants are in bloom, unless they wanted to cover themselves from head to toe in protective gear first.

"It would have to be done extremely carefully," says Rogers, who encourages people to hire a professional weed exterminator. As well, "it's almost better to leave



it now and treat it in May when it's smaller and can be sprayed with Round Up."

Hogweed is not listed as an invasive species but it has invaded parts of the Highlands and is an uninvited guest. Rogers said it could have got here numerous ways, including in the tread of a hiker's boot or ATVer's tires, or in gardening soil.

There is much information about giant hogweed on the Internet. Go to www.ontarioweeds.com for a detailed description.



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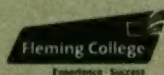
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The Art of Unobtrusiveness

Walking Softly • Column and photo by Steve Galea

One of the kids saw it first – kids always seem to see these things first. There it was, sitting at the base of a shrub, blending in and watching the world go by.

It wasn't an earth-shattering or rare sight, yet it provided no small amount of delight to the kids and, I suppose, to the kid in me. After all, a toad is a marvellous thing.

Back in my youth, it probably would have been quickly placed in my shirt pocket and introduced to most of my friends. These days, kids are content to watch and marvel. I'd call that progress.

Whenever I get a chance to observe an animal like this up close, I'm always amazed at how much faith they place in their camouflage, silence and stillness.

That toad seemed to know that the background it chose was a perfect match to his coloration. Somehow, he understood that this shrub, with its protective stalks, leaf duff, and overhead cover was an ideal place to hold up until the cover of darkness.

I suspect that he'd done this before. The intriguing question remains: is this behaviour learned or instinctive?

Either way, it seems to have worked thus far. And it works for other creatures too.



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Whether it is the way a spotted fawn blends into the dappled light and shadow of a forest glade or the method in which a bittern sways in time with the reeds, I am continually amazed by how unobtrusiveness is used as a successful survival strategy among prey species.

The general idea, I suppose, is sit still,

blend in, and hope that a passing predator notices something else before you. Birds do it; bees do it... you know the song.

Unobtrusiveness is the first line of defense for many species. Flight or fight come a distant second. In fact, most prey species are so good at staying hidden

that they have to make themselves heard or seen during their breeding seasons or else risk not finding a mate. Ruffed grouse drum on their logs; wild turkey toms gobble on their strutting grounds. And so it goes.

This toad that we're watching must have been nervous to have so many large predatory eyes upon him, but it maintained complete faith in his concealment. It sat still and remained quiet.

The thing that we often forget is that an animal even as small as a toad is a minor miracle. I'm not sure how many, spawned in their natal ponds in spring, make it to adulthood, but I suspect it's fewer than one in 1,000. Each female lays 5,000 eggs or so and precious few make it out of the water. Most serve the purpose of protein for another life form.

And yet, perhaps what survives is just the right amount – not just to feed on insects but also to be fed upon by the predators that don't mind a meal of toad every now and then.

Think about these things long enough and you'll soon come to the conclusion that we live in a very incredible and complex world. One in which we have only skimmed the surface and where each thread pulled tugs on the fabric of all things. But what a fabric it is.

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